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Briefly

Crop walk to fight hunger

A "Crop walk" to ease world hunger will be held Sunday, April 18, at Wilson Park. Registration will begin at 1 p.m. and the walk will start at 1:30 at the Ice Rink. Proceeds will be used to fight hunger, with 25 percent staying in Granite City and being split equally between Protestant Welfare and Catholic Charities. Sponsors and walkers are urged to help reach the goal. For more information, the number is 931-5429.

Audubon meets

The Southwestern Illinois Audubon Society will meet at 7:30 p.m. Monday, April 19, at the First Federal Savings and Loan community room at 300 St. Louis St., Edwardsville. Harvey Taylor, a teacher at Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville, will present a slide program on "Indians and Animal Life." There is no charge, and guests are welcome, said a spokesman at 931-1352.

Steak dinner

Niedringhaus United Methodist Church, 20th and Delmar, will hold a Swiss steak dinner from 4 to 7 p.m. April 23, including baked potato, green beans, salad, roll, dessert and drink. Adults will pay \$5.50 and children under 10, \$2.50. Carvays will be available. Sponsor is the United Methodist Women. Advance tickets may be obtained from the church office or from women of the church.

Deaths

Ann Gresco
Peggy Mayes
Audrey Owca

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Lottery

Results in Illinois were:
April 14: 9-1-5; Pick 4: 3-6-3-2
Little Lotto Game
05-15-24-27-34
Lotto Game
05-06-20-23-31-41
The jackpot was estimated at \$2 million.
April 13: 6-9-2; Pick 4: 3-8-9-4
April 12: 6-8-7; Pick 4: 3-7-9-1
Little Lotto Game
05-06-20-30-31
April 11: 7-1-5; Pick 4: 3-7-8-3
April 10: 9-2-9; Pick 4: 4-5-4-3
Lotto Game
05-28-34-40-46-50

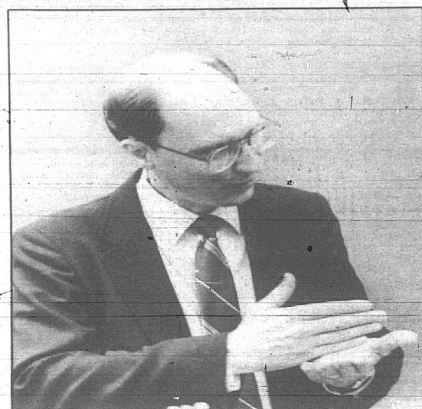
75 years ago

April 15, 1918
A jury declared "Baldy" Walton guilty of the murder of Abe Schwartz. Co-defendant "Dutch" Koob, who testified against Walton, was acquitted. Koob said he and Walton had lost their week's wages in a craps game so they robbed Schwartz of \$17. Koob said he did not see Walton until the next day when Walton told him about the killing. Koob was sentenced to two years for highway robbery.

Trivia

What books were written by Robert Olen Butler?

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Pulitzer Prize winner Robert Olen Butler during a visit to Granite City in 1988.

Kerr-McGee plans expansion

By Mike Myers
Staff writer

Kerr-McGee Chemical Corp. has purchased 26 acres of the former Laclede Steel site in south Madison as part of the company's continuing expansion of its Madison-based operation. The \$450,000 purchase was announced at the Madison City Council meeting Tuesday. Jim Sanders, plant manager, thanked Mayor John Bellecoff, City Attorney Casper Nighobosian and Street Superintendent Robbie Robbins for their efforts in making the purchase possible. "We have enjoyed an excellent relationship with you and other city officials over the past seven years and it has been demonstrated that business and city government can work well and successfully together," Sanders said.

The Madison operation, which previously covered about 42 acres and produces urethane, recently underwent a \$6 million expansion. "Basically, we found ourselves

land-locked," Sanders said. "We needed room to continue our expansion and, through this purchase, we should be able to continue to grow."

Kerr-McGee asked that the city agree to vacate the part of Washington Avenue, beginning at Race Street, that borders the newly-acquired property, so that the Madison facility can improve its access and security.

"We believe this would be beneficial to the city because no further maintenance of the street would be required," Sanders said.

The City Council voted to refer the request to the Street Committee for a future ordinance vacating the street.

Sanders thanked the city for its efforts during nearly three years of negotiating the property sale.

"We think this kind of relationship is important in keeping unity between business and city government," Sanders said.

The Madison facility employs about 52 people, Sanders said.

New golf course proposed

By Cheryl K. Friedman
Correspondent

Golf fanatics who have run into problems trying to schedule weekend tee times may be in for a pleasant surprise: A new championship golf course is being planned for development near the junction of Interstate 255 and Highway 162 in Pontoon Beach.

The Pontoon Beach Village Board heard — but took no action — Tuesday night on a resolution indicating its intent to proceed with the authorization and issuance of nearly \$4 million in taxable municipal bonds for

the purpose of financing the golf course.

Board members said they are awaiting the results of a site feasibility study before acting on the resolution.

The 18-hole course would be built on 140 acres of land currently owned by Charles Luehmann, Golf West Companies, a golf course development company in Fresno, Calif., is seeking authorization to develop the course in conjunction with Cleve Idoux, a local golf course contractor and owner of Midwest Golf.

The course would feature a clubhouse, coffee and pro shop,

Pulitzer winner Dream comes true for local native Robert Olen Butler

By Mike Myers
Staff writer

Granite City native Robert Olen Butler, awarded the Pulitzer Prize for fiction this week, remembers dreaming about the honor more than 30 years ago.

"When I was a young boy, mooning around my house in Aubrey Street in Granite City, dreaming of becoming a writer, the one thing I knew to dream about was the Pulitzer," Butler said Wednesday. "It's quite a remarkable thing to have a dream that dates back to my days at Granite City High School and then to have that dream come true."

The 48-year-old Butler, who now teaches creative writing at McNeese State University in Lake Charles, La., was awarded the prize for his seventh published book, "A Good Scent from a Strange Mountain." The book is a collection of short stories and a novella each written from the viewpoint of a different Vietnamese national living in Louisiana.

Butler's understanding of cultural diversity — for which "A Good Scent" has received high praise — began as a natural part of growing up in Granite City.

"Granite City was such a rich and provocative place to grow up," Butler said. "It has always been a kind of split between north and south. In many ways it is a northern city, but it has a large population of exiled Southerners. It's kind of a collision point for two different cultures. They are always colliding, circling each other, and colliding."

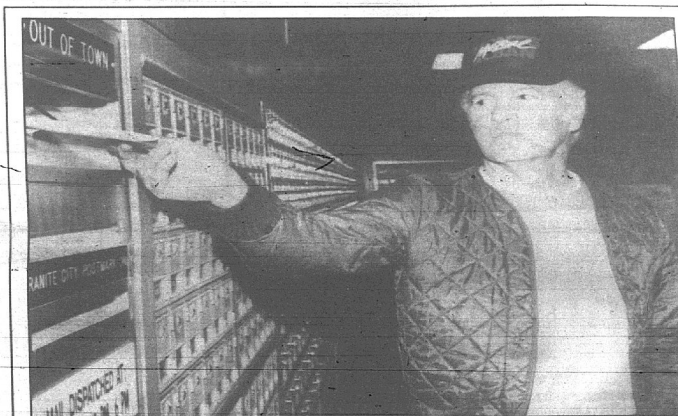
And, Butler said, he got excellent instruction and inspiration from two very special English teachers, Goni Michaeloff and Helen Kuentler. He spoke to each on Wednesday to share the joy of winning the Pulitzer.

Michaeloff taught Butler in her sophomore accelerated English class.

"I remember he wrote the most precious little drama; it was called 'The Preposterous Predicament of Princess Pickle.' Oh, I thought it was so good and sent it to a state contest. And it won," Michaeloff said. "I remember it had a roller-skating dragon as the hero who saved a princess in distress."

Michaeloff said when she heard Butler had won the Pulitzer she was thrilled.

"He's the kind who should win because he represents everything that is good in human nature," she said. (See PULITZER, Page 10A)



(Staff photo by PAM DOEPKE-HURD)

Just under the wire — Jerry Wilson of Granite City mails his federal income tax forms Wednesday at the Granite City Post Office. Tax filers have until midnight tonight to mail taxes before being penalized.

National Steel public stock sale successful

By Mike Myers
Staff writer

National Steel's first public stock offering closed Tuesday after \$61,100 more shares of common stock were sold than the planned allotment of 10 million shares.

The Class B common stock offering raised more than \$141 million.

Prior to the public stock offering earlier this year, National Steel, the parent company of Granite City Steel, had been wholly owned by Nippon Kokan Corp. of Japan and National Intergrupp Inc.

"I think everyone (at National Steel) viewed the success of the offering as a victory," said Alice Palmer, D-Chicago. (See STOCK, Page 10A)

Election profiles, endorsements in today's paper

With this year's municipal and township elections only five days away, area candidates are making last-ditch appeals to voters.

Today the Press-Record continues its election coverage with the newspaper's endorsements of candidates for contested races in the area.

The endorsement is on the Opinion Page, Page 4A. Also in today's edition are profiles of candidates in City Council races in Granite City.

Twenty-two candidates are running the eight seats to be filled on the council. Included are one seat in Wards 3 through 6, and two seats in Ward 1, a two-year term and a four-year term.

See today's Lifestyle Page, Page 10, for profiles of all 22 candidates.

Welfare mothers bill facing battle

SPRINGFIELD — Legislation barring funds from welfare mothers bearing additional children has passed the Senate but will likely face a hostile reception in the House and the governor's office.

The bill's sponsor, Sen. Frank Watson, R-Greenview, said welfare is too great a drain on the state's economy and that women on welfare shouldn't have children if they can't afford them.

"It's a change in policy that I think is long overdue," Watson said. "It's a matter of economics."

Senate Democrats opposed the bill, saying Watson was targeting the right problem but offering the wrong solution. A better solution, they said, would be to support family-planning programs.

"This is a little bit like 'when did you stop beating your wife?'" said Sen. Denny Jacobs, D-East Moline. "This bill is not doing what it is intended to do."

Sen. Alice Palmer, D-Chicago, said the bill would punish children, rather than their parents, because the children don't have a choice in being born.

Watson countered that families would not be punished because they would still receive food stamps, housing and medical assistance.

Other Senate Republicans said the bill is flawed but is a step in the right direction.

"If you can't take care of your children, don't have them," said Sen. Adeline Geo-Karis, R-Zion. "We have to be responsible for

Another business may have been stung by firm

SPRINGFIELD — Another Metro East area small-business owner thinks she was stung by a St. Louis area firm that marketed group health insurance to family-owned businesses.

"It looks like I paid thousands of dollars and got nothing," said Martha Landson, owner of Angel Cream Donut Shop in Bethalto.

Missouri and Illinois insurance regulators have investigations under way into the operations of Delta Group Administrators, which has also left Alton jeweler Jim Meyer scrambling for replacement family medical insurance coverage.

Landson said she mailed a monthly premium of \$283 to Delta Group via a postal box starting in November 1991.

In March she received an undated cancellation notice without an explanation after she inquired about coverage for a scheduled operation for her son in June, Landson said.

She said when she finally reached John Allen, the agent for Delta Group in O'Fallon, Mo., he told her everything would be explained in a letter. Landson said she has yet to get an explanation.

And the last telephone number she had for Allen has been disconnected. She said the policy originally was sold to her by a Dick Kirkland, who also gave an O'Fallon Mo., address.

Illinois Department of Insurance spokesman Nan Nases said a preliminary computer check indicated neither Allen nor Kirkland are registered as having an

Illinois license to sell insurance. Meyer, owner of Meyer Jewelry at Alton Square, said last week that he had been unable to use the prescription card issued by Delta Group and had been advised by a state insurance official he may not be covered.

Missouri and Illinois insurance department investigations are continuing, but neither has taken any action.

Landson said she was paying \$600 a month for family health insurance coverage when she switched to the Delta Group, which offered about a 50 percent saving.

However, she said she had been uneasy about the fact she never actually received a copy of a policy in the mail. She said the only thing she received was a prescription card for a Walgreen's store.

Landson said she never submitted claims under the policy because it carried a \$1,000 deductible and Kirkland had told her that if no claims were submitted in the first two years, the deductible would be dropped.

Landson has obtained new health insurance, but she would still like to see some action taken against Delta Group.

"I've been trying to track them down since January and I'm not giving up on finding out what's going on," she said.

Nases said it appears Delta Group did not have an insurance company behind it to pay claims. "It is something we are still investigating," he said.

— From the Alton Telegraph

Police log

Granite City

DUI, resisting charged

Danny R. Elder, 34, of the 2400 block of St. Clair Avenue, was arrested at 8:30 p.m. April 8 for driving under the influence of alcohol and resisting arrest.

An officer reported seeing a tan 1987 Pontiac 6000 northbound on Highway 3 near the Charles Melvin Price U.S. Army Support Center at 20 miles per hour, weaving between lanes and with two flat tires.

Elder allegedly became combative at the scene, and two children who had been in the car with him were turned over to their mother.

No field sobriety tests were given to Elder because of his inability to walk without assistance, according to a police report.

Elder was unable to complete a breath analysis test and was charged, the report states.

Four charges are filed

Michael E. Bridges, 29, of the

2100 block of Nevada Avenue, was arrested at 10:11 p.m. April 7 for driving under the influence of alcohol, resisting arrest, speeding and driving while his license is suspended.

An officer reported seeing a 1978 Chevrolet Caprice being driven at 48 miles per hour in a 35-mph zone on Nameoki Road near Primrose Avenue.

Bridges, the driver, took two field sobriety tests at the police station, became verbally abusive toward officers and clenched his fist as if he would strike an officer, according to a police report.

A computer check revealed that Bridges' license was suspended. He was lodged pending \$404 bail.

DUI and damage alleged

Dorothy M. Carney was arrested twice in a three-hour period April 7, at 5:39 p.m. for driving under the influence of alcohol and again at 8:21 for allegedly battering the man who bailed her out of jail on the drunken driving charge.

An officer reported seeing a brown Oldsmobile Delta 88

parked on McKinley Avenue near West 22nd Street, where Carney told the officer she had struck the curb, flattening a tire.

Carney, 32, of the 2800 block of Woodlawn Avenue, took two field sobriety tests and a breath analysis test and was charged. She was released soon after when a 30-year-old man posted bail for her.

But police were soon called to the man's home in the 2900 block of Buxton Avenue. He said she hit him and broke a color television, two windows, a coat rack and porcelain figures, and kicked a door off its hinges.

Carney was again arrested and lodged pending bail. She was charged with battery and criminal damage to property.

Speeding, DUI charged

Amy K. Colp, 18, of the 2800 block of Marshall Avenue, was arrested at 1:01 a.m. April 12 for speeding and driving under the influence of alcohol.

An officer reported seeing a red 1979 Chevrolet Chevette traveling 65 miles per hour in a 35-mph zone on Madison Avenue

near 27th Street.

Colp, the driver, took three field sobriety tests and a breath analysis test and was charged.

Weapon, traffic charges

George S. Newsome, 46, of the 1200 block of College Street in Venice was arrested at 11:59 p.m. April 10 for driving under the influence of alcohol, improper lane usage, unlawful use of a weapon, and failure to possess a firearm owner identification card.

A revolver was discovered in the car, according to a police report.

4 store thefts alleged

Carolyn D. Mister, 23, of the 4000 block of Oakmont in Pontoon Beach, was arrested at 3:30 p.m. April 9 on four charges of retail theft.

Mister allegedly took clothes and jewelry from the "One Price \$7 Store," cologne from Super X drug store, pork chops from Schnucks and a pair of shoes from Payless Shoe Source, according to a police report.

Bill aims at phony parking tickets

SPRINGFIELD — A bill forcing minor reimbursements from Chicago for erroneous parking tickets has passed the Senate.

Several thousand Metro East residents have received such tickets in the last several years, according to the Illinois Attorney General's Granite City Regional Office.

The tickets are issued in error by the Chicago employees, often to people who have never been in the city.

The bill passed Tuesday would require Chicago authorities to pay the court filing fees of those who object to bogus tickets.

Originally, the bill would have forced the cities to reimburse the cost of fighting the tickets, including attorney fees, travel expenses, court costs and lost work time.

LABOR ENDORSES WALTER C. MILTON SR. FOR MAYOR

The Tri-City Chapter of the Greater Madison County Federation of Labor AFL-CIO voted to endorse **WALTER C. MILTON** for Mayor of Granite City on a vote of delegates on March 18, 1993.

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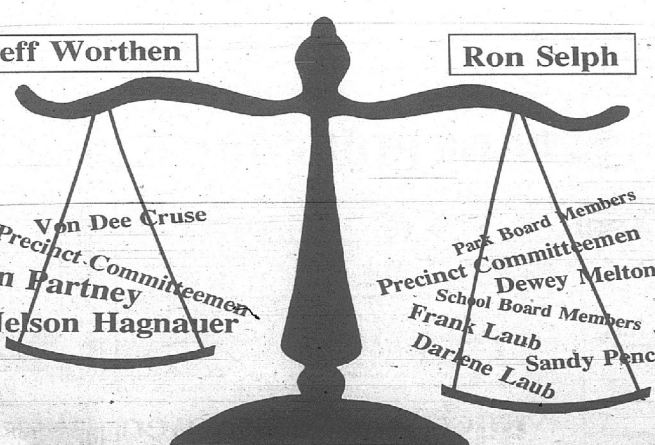
Politics as Usual

Who's Tipping the Scales

Against The Taxpayers This Time?

Jeff Worthen

Von Dee Cruse
Precinct Committeemen
Dan Partney
Nelson Hagnauer



Ron Selph

Park Board Members
Precinct Committeemen
Dewey Melton
School Board Members
Frank Laub
Darlene Laub
Sandy Pence

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April 20th - Punch #29

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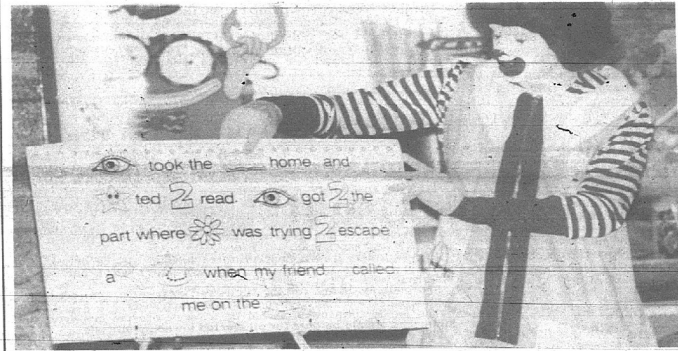
QUIET, PLEASE



Reading fun — Ronald McDonald paid a visit recently to Maryville Elementary School to let students know about the adventures of reading. In top photo, Ronald McDonald meets some of Maryville's students, from the left are Amy Pinkston, Cody Pinkston, Matt Awalt and Leslie Williams. In the bottom photo, Ronald reads a story to the students. In photo at right, Ronald quiets the McLibrarian's book worm so he can talk to students about the library.

FACES IN THE CROWD

(Staff photos by PAM DOEPKE-HURD)



Low interest is favorable factor on juvenile home tax

Low interest rates could lighten taxpayers' burden for a new Madison County juvenile detention home.

Voters will decide Tuesday if county officials can impose a temporary 2-cent property tax rate to build a \$4 million juvenile home.

Even though the referendum will ask for a 2-cent tax, the actual amount could be less, depending on how much is needed to make principal and interest payments, county officials said.

The existing home does not meet state building codes and has had problems with overcrowding, leaks and flooding over the last several years. The Illinois Attorney General's Office has threatened to sue the county if the problems are not fixed. A special task force of County Board members is proposing a new juvenile home that would involve renovating the existing 21-bed facility and building a

12,600-square-foot addition to the home off Fifth Street in Edwardsville.

The new facility would meet the state code and increase capacity to at least 32 beds, county Administrator Jim Monday said.

"These aren't truants and they aren't curfew violators or underage drivers or some such. They're here because the court has decided they need to be incarcerated to protect the public," Monday said.

County records show there were 88 juveniles locked up last year in the home for assault and battery, 80 for burglary, 26 for criminal-damage to property, 24 for armed robbery and two for murder.

Monday said the recent drop in interest rates would work in the county's favor when it comes time to issue bonds to build the home.

Interest rates for long-term municipal bonds were at 5.45

percent Tuesday, down from 5.65 percent two weeks ago, according to Ross Elford, an investment banker with Boatmen's Bank in St. Louis.

In addition to low interest rates, a special 1.74-cent tax imposed in the 1970s to build the county jail will expire next year. That would cancel out most of the increase associated with the 2-cent juvenile home tax, Monday said.

"There will be little or no tax increase. It certainly looks like, with the jail bonds retiring, and depending on what interest rates are, it'll be a wash," Monday said.

The owner of a \$51,000 house assessed at \$17,000 would pay about \$3.40 a year for the life of the juvenile home tax. Officials have estimated it would take about 15 years to pay off the juvenile home bonds and retire the 2-cent tax.

— From the Alton Telegraph

Delinquent-tax office still busy

A one-person county office destined for the chopping block is not obsolete just yet, a county official said.

Members of the Madison County Board Finance Committee have been calling for the elimination of the Delinquent Tax Office since last year.

"They charge that Delinquent Tax Officer Margaret Will has nothing to do, since her duties were assumed by a private real estate firm and other county offices."

On Wednesday, however, county Administrator Jim Monday came to Will's defense. "I'll admit she isn't doing what she used to do, but she is working."

"The reason a move hasn't been made (in finding Will another job) is that (real estate agent) Joe Meyer doesn't have all the pieces of the picture yet," Monday said, referring to the real estate firm hired by the county to handle the sale of property seized for unpaid taxes.

Selling off those properties used to be the main function of Will's office, but that duty was

taken over by Joseph E. Meyer and Associates last year at the request of the County Board.

However, the firm has yet to take over every facet of the property sale and, until it does, Will has work to do, Monday said.

Her remaining duties consist of sending out legal notices and similar paperwork until the seized properties are put up for

sale by Meyer, Monday said.

"She is still responsible for those properties for a year and nine months after (they are seized)," he said.

The Meyer agency is expected to assume those remaining duties within the next several months, at which time the board will decide what to do with the Delinquent Tax Office, Monday said.

Rally Saturday for health care

State Rep. Jay Hoffman, D-Collinsville, will be featured at a rally Saturday in support of universal health care.

The rally is planned for 11 a.m. at the county courthouse in Edwardsville.

Its purpose is to continue to build grassroots support for state and federal legislation that would provide quality, long-term health care for all Americans.

"We've been working long and hard to bring about a positive change to our health-care system and this is the year we can do it," Charlie Mohr, campaign chairperson stated. "In both Springfield and Washington we are pushing legislation that would provide accessible health care for everyone."

More than 500 people plan to visit Springfield on April 22 to support a state bill. A postcard campaign is under way now to push for a federal health care bill.

The event will be held rain or shine; the courthouse is accessible to persons with disabilities.

WORTHEN FOR MAYOR

A New Spirit



Cindy, Jeff, Ryan, Kyle and Jessica

Jeff and Cindy are lifelong residents of Granite City and were educated in Granite City Schools.

Jeff and Cindy have been married for more than 18 years and have three lovely children.

Jeff has been employed at Granite City Steel for the past 15 years.

Following in his grandfathers footsteps, Milton Worthen Sr., Jeff was elected and served on the Granite City Park Board of 8 years, 6 years as Vice President.

He was elected and has served as 7th Ward Alderman for the past 8 years.

He coaches and sponsors a team in the Park Districts flag football league.

Jeff received the Outstanding Young Men of America award in 1989.

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Opinion

Editorials

Elect Worthen as mayor

What do we want Granite City to be like 25 years from today?

That question will be answered Tuesday when the voters go to the polls. For the past eight years, Granite City has been steadily climbing away from an abyss that has already swallowed many of its sister cities. Pulling hard against the tide, Granite City has continued residential development, bolstered its property base, expanded its industry and improved its quality of life.

Still, Granite City has not pulled itself to safety yet. A small misstep, a short slide backward, and the city could find itself hanging over the edge of the black hole of dereliction.

Just to hold its own against the tide of urban decline, the city needs strong leadership — a strong mayor. Several of the 10 mayoral candidates may be able to provide that.

But to continue to progress against the tide will be, at best, a mayoral who also gets things done, who is willing to work hard, who has a firm grasp of current issues and concerns, who has a clear vision of where the city should be in 25 years, and who has a plan that uses those attributes in himself and others to achieve success.

Jeff Worthen is the only candidate with a proven record of being able to fill that bill.

Planning and Zoning has taken up much of Worthen's time and effort since he came to the City Council as an alderman in 1985. His work and many achievements clearly demonstrate his aldermanic potential as a city leader.

As a new alderman, Worthen almost immediately found himself in a minority opposing a new occupancy code in the city. Worthen said that such a code was worthless unless it also included provisions for the manpower required to enforce it. Why, he asked, has the city not been able to best enforce its code? Worthen didn't convince the majority of his fellow aldermen but his argument, at least in part, led to a veto of the new code by Mayor Von Dee Cruise and eventually to a revision of the code that addressed its enforcement.

After two years on the City Council, Worthen became chairman of the Planning and Zoning Committee. For years, zoning in the city had been determined by political connections. A new zoning ordinance in 1981 had started the city in the right direction, but Worthen and the city's Plan Commission contended that it was full of unenforced, and unenforceable, provisions designed to protect the status quo and based only on political expediencies. As a result, Worthen said, the Zoning Board of Appeals often had to either stretch or ignore the ordinance in order to allow desirable new development.

Worthen pushed for, and got the City Council to approve, a new zoning ordinance that is easily enforced while still being flexible enough to allow the city to grow.

But even before the new zoning ordinance was passed, Worthen saw it would not be enough. The city needed a clear-cut plan of how it would like its property utilized as the city continued to grow and develop, so that the Zoning Board of Appeals could grant variances in such a way as to achieve a smooth transition.

With the Plan Commission, a comprehensive plan for the city was prepared and, with Worthen's leadership, was approved by the City Council.

While progress may be inevitable and desirable, Worthen believed it did not have to be painful. An example of that philosophy is the B-1 zoning district on Madison Avenue. It was designed to allow residential and business property owners there to live and work together as good neighbors as the nature of the neighborhood changes.

All of these issues — the occupancy code, the zoning ordinance, the comprehensive plan and the B-1 zoning — were a hard sell. All drew large, angry crowds to hearings and meetings and all faced "ward aldermen" who, by offering amendments, tried to tear out bits and pieces of each. But Worthen was able to get a majority of the aldermen to look at each in terms of what was good for the city as a whole, not just what was good for their ward, and got each passed intact.

While Worthen's most visible achievements deal with zoning issues, he has been far from a single-issue alderman. As a member of the Downtown Commission, Worthen was instrumental in building new auto dealerships, and later Wal-Mart, on Highway 3 while beginning the revitalization of the downtown area.

As a member of the Negotiating and Fire and Water committees, Worthen made it clear he believes all city employees should earn a fair, union wage. At the same time, he made it clear the city should get dependable, union-quality work in return. Worthen has consistently called for work rule changes — including the paramedic-firefighter rules now in effect — in order to make sure both the employees and city get a fair deal.

As a member of the Finance Committee, Worthen has been a strong advocate of encouraging departments to find innovative ways to increase revenue by letting the department benefit from the new revenue it produces. At the same time, Worthen has advocated doing away with fees, such as the city automobile tax, that produce no tangible benefit for the citizens.

Worthen's record as a politician — a Democratic precinct committeeman and member of the Democratic executive committee — is one of being able to play with the big boys while not getting played by the big boys. Worthen's vocal disagreement in 1988 with the party's "lure" system of getting money from candidates may have cost him the county party's chairman position, but it also assured that, when Worthen speaks, officials at both the county and state levels listen to what he has to say.

Worthen's plans for the city as mayor — changing the flat-rate garbage collection fee, improving police and fire protection, continuing to revitalize downtown, reducing government costs, increasing government revenue and improving neighborhoods across the city — have been echoed by a number of the other mayoral candidates and surely should be desired by all 10 of them.

But to make any of these things a reality will require a well-thought-out plan.

It will require the drive to push that plan through a City Council made up of aldermen who represent people who feel change may harm them.

It will require the salesmanship to be able to face a hostile crowd concerned with immediate adverse effects of a plan and sell the majority of that crowd on the proposed plan's ultimate good.

And it will require the ability to walk away from a bitter battle with respect for, and the respect of, the other side because the day will come when each side will need the help of the other.

Of the candidates, only Worthen has presented concrete,

specific proposals to deal with the city's impending fiscal crisis.

Of the candidates, only Worthen has a consistent record of being able to convince a majority of the aldermen to forgo personal political concerns in order to pass a program needed by the city.

Of the candidates, only Worthen has stood up to a hostile crowd and convinced its members, at the very least, that although a proposal may not be perfect for everyone, it is good for everyone and much better than doing nothing.

And of the candidates, only Worthen has demonstrated the ability to turn his bitter enemies on one issue into his firm allies on another.

As a result, of the candidates, only Worthen has a good chance of actually having most, if not all, of his campaign promises become reality in the next four to eight years.

Some of the other candidates have shown they lack one or more of these essential qualities. Others may have them, but Granite City cannot afford a mayor who will be training on the job, during his first two years in office.

Jeff Worthen is the only candidate who we can be sure will be able to continue the progress Granite City has seen in the last eight years. He deserves everyone's support and vote Tuesday.

Other Granite City offices

Granite City residents are fortunate to have two good candidates vying for the city clerk's post. While Bob Stevens has done an admirable job for the past 20 years, we think it is time for a new, fresh approach in the office — someone with the youthful vigor to update the office and bring it into the 21st century. That man is Roy Kobara.

In city aldermanic races, we think the following candidates deserve support:

Ward 1 (two-year term) — Bob Page; Ward 1 (four-year term) — Casner Skubish; Ward 2 — Craig Tarpo; Ward 3 — Nick Strickland; Ward 4 — Foster Frederick; Ward 5 — Eddie Asaderian; Ward 6 — Judy Whitaker; Ward 7 — Kim Affolter.

Re-elect Mayor Belcoff

In the eight years John Belcoff has been mayor, Madison, like cities its size across the country, has been going through hard times.

A growing illegal drug trade and its related crime has reached plague proportions in parts of the city and has stretched law enforcement to its limits. A shrinking tax base and loss of federal and state revenue have created a budget crunch, forcing cutbacks and layoffs. A high unemployment rate combined with the reduced personal earning power of the residents has led to neglect of individual property and resulted in the decline of residential neighborhoods.

Under Mayor Belcoff, the city has weathered the hard times as well as any other city and better than most. Madison's city services are as good as any in the area. For the taxpayer, they are less expensive than any in the area. And, for the citizens, the fire, police, street, sanitation, inspection and recreation departments — and the City Hall offices — are responsive and friendly.

But with all the new and growing problems, it would be ludicrous to believe Madison can continue "business as usual." Things are going to have to change, so the question then becomes: Does this change require a change in the present governing mayor?

We believe the answer is an emphatic no.

To deal with the growing illegal-drug problems, Belcoff has successfully shifted law enforcement to the areas needing it most. And, by applying for and obtaining state and federal grants and other outside funding, he has been able to afford to increase law enforcement in those areas without cutting back in the remainder of the city.

To deal with a shrinking tax base, Belcoff began an aggressive annexation program to bring new homes and businesses into the city. At the same time, he made sure that the new territories paid their own way and did not stretch city services thin in the other areas of the city.

To deal with employment and personal income, Belcoff developed a good working relationship with existing industry and business while continuing to bring more jobs and business into the city. As a result, several existing industries have expanded in the past few years and several new industries have expressed interest in locating in the city.

While it is true Belcoff has made no overnight changes, and often his changes appear to be slow, the changes Belcoff has made are good and they are permanent — they will continue to do good for the community for several generations.

And no matter how badly the city needed money, Belcoff refused to sell the city's soul to Deja Vu, which wanted to open a homeless-bottomless sub in town, and he rallied the residents in opposition to the proposal.

The last eight years have not been good for Madison, but nobody has been better for Madison in the last eight years than Belcoff.

John Belcoff will continue to do good things for Madison in the next four years and deserves residents' support and vote on Tuesday.

In other Madison races, the Press-Record endorses Bill Weidner for city clerk, Frank Kierski for city treasurer, George Amisch for Ward 1 alderman, Ron Grzywacz for Ward 2 alderman, Mike Vrabec for Ward 3 alderman and Charles Rackett for Ward 4 alderman.

Nameoki-Chouteau-Pontoon

In Nameoki Township, Ken Davis has shown he has the interests of the residents at heart, the familiarity with the problems to come up with solutions, and the leadership ability to get things done. Davis deserves to be elected as township supervisor on Tuesday.

Other Nameoki candidates worthy of election are Judy Merritt for clerk, Carl Maclos for assessor, Loren Madison for treasurer, and Commissioner — Gene Briggs, Sam Stoyanoff, Wade Rollins and Steve Isenbarg.

With her 20-plus years of service as Chouteau Township clerk, Pat Polley knows more about the day-to-day operations and has heard more residential complaints, than any other candidate. She deserves to be elected as supervisor.

In Pontoon Beach, Kerry Ervay, Marvin Ribbing and Bob Douglas are endorsed for election as village trustees.

Echols deserves re-election

Win or lose in the mayoral race Tuesday, Michael Terrell says he is in Venice, and Venice politics, to stay.

That's good news for Venice because citizens like Terrell represent the very best hope for the future of the city.

Terrell will make a very good mayor someday, but

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Tuesday is not that day.

Watching Terrell, Mayor Tyrone Echols must be reminded of himself as a young politician. Brash, confident, filled with good ideas, full of spit and vinegar and ready and willing to conquer the world.

Both Echols and Terrell want, and are working for, the same thing for Venice: New industry, better housing and an improved quality of life for all of its residents. But while young men — feeling immortal — charge full speed ahead, experience points out the wisdom of pausing long enough to look both ways at every crossing. That experience, and the caution it brings, is the reason Venice needs Echols for another term as mayor.

Right now, Venice is in the position of a poker-player who has all of his chips on the table. While a "full house" still looks mighty good, it has to be played close to the vest. And the raises need to be kept small, because it is better to have a could-have-been-bigger win and stay in the game than to be put out of the game by a spectacular loss to some guy drawing to "four of a kind."

Echols is experienced enough to keep Venice in the game and skillful enough, given time, to have Venice come out a winner.

Venice residents should re-elect Mayor Tyrone Echols. And Echols should make sure that Terrell, whose term as alderman has two more years to run, plays an important role in the governing of the city.

In other contested races in Venice, the Press-Record endorses Phillip White for Ward 1 alderman and John Henry Williams for Ward 2 alderman.

Economy for town supervisor

Andy Economy, his family and his friends have been the victim of one of the dirtiest campaigns in the history of Venice Township — and the township has had more than its share of dirty races. Yet, he has remained calm and above the dirt.

If Economy had no other demonstrated quality, this would be enough to recommend him for the township supervisor position. Combined with Economy's civic experience that includes currently serving as a Madison alderman and a member of the board of the Metro East Sanitary District, Economy's experience and character clearly make him the best candidate.

Andy Economy deserves the support and vote of the voters of Venice Township.

In other Venice Township races, the Press-Record endorses Metro Pierson for clerk, Rabette Mosby for assessor, Casey Krakowicki for collector, Ed Lee Salmoud for highway commissioner, and Ben Honorable, John "Cadillac" Flecholski, Joe Asperger and Ruby Johnson for the trustee positions.

Letters

Would increase town's efficiency

TO THE EDITOR: Re: "Hawking" letter to the editor April 11, "Town secretary is busy and needed," makes my point exactly.

Past and present Nameoki Township clerks have spent very little time working with taxpayers, while drawing almost \$1,000 a month in salary and expenses.

In her letter, it was inaccurate to include all the duties of the secretary. There is more than one secretary; which one was she referring to?

She included duties for the Highway Department and record-keeping duties as secretary for the township supervisor.

The job of town clerk should be a secret to the taxpayers. This same fact should be true for all elected township officials.

If I am elected as clerk, a computer will not replace anyone in the Township Office whatsoever. It will only increase professionalism and efficiency. After all, it takes a person to operate the machine.

JUDY MERRITT, Nameoki Township

Police officer sincere, enthusiastic

TO THE EDITOR: I have had the pleasure of working with Granite City police officer Mike Sparks in establishing a Neighborhood Watch Group and hearing him speak to our United Methodist Youth Group.

Mike has many commendable qualities — enthusiasm, sincerity, vast knowledge and experience in law enforcement, and obviously a great deal of pride in his work. Especially, to spend many evenings away from his family in order to make this community a safer and better place to live.

He is an invaluable asset to the Police Department and our community.

Anyone who is interested in maintaining or improving the quality of their neighborhood, learning about crime prevention or learning about law enforcement, should contact Officer Sparks.

I am thankful Granite City is providing for Neighborhood Watch and especially thankful that Mike Sparks is its administrator.

I hope the city will continue providing these positive types of programs, and remember, it's extraordinary officers like Mike, and their "beyond the call of duty" efforts, that make these programs a success.

MARY WHITEHEAD, Granite City

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Lifestyle

22 candidates seeking eight City Council seats

Ward 1 (two-year term)

Weller, Page seeking post

William Weller, 68, lives in the 2600 block of Forest Avenue. He and his wife, Betty, have five adult children.

Born in St. Louis, Weller has lived in Granite City for 38 years. He retired from the Conrail Corp. after 43 years of employment there.

He also served in the U.S. Navy during World War II and in the Naval Reserve, where he achieved the rank of senior chief petty officer. He is currently working toward an associate degree at Belleville Area College.

Weller is a member of Niederrhein United Methodist Church, where he sits on the administrative board and business committee. He is a member of the Citizens Utility Board, National Rifle

Association, Town and Country Gun Club, AARP, National Committee to Preserve Social Security and Medicare, Anad Temple Shrine and past master of Masonic Lodge 569. He is former chief supervisor of Rose Lake Federal Credit Union. He has never held public office.

He cited his experience as treasurer of his union, Transport Workers Local 2057 and as a credit union official and education courses in management as his qualifications.

"I think it is about time we have some new people in office. I would like to see the street superintendent, treasurer and some other things stay the way they are," Weller said.

"If I am elected, I will serve, Association, Town and Country Gun Club, AARP, National Committee to Preserve Social Security and Medicare, Anad Temple Shrine and past master of Masonic Lodge 569. He is former chief supervisor of Rose Lake Federal Credit Union. He has never held public office.



Weller Page

to the best of my ability, the citizens of Granite City," he said.

Bob Page, 58, is also seeking the two-year seat. He and his wife, Frances, live in the 2600 block of Dogwood Drive and have three adult children.

Born in Venice, Page has lived in Granite City for 20 years. He is retired from the Granite City School District, where he was a teacher.

Page holds a bachelor degree from Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville.

He is a Baptist and a member of Elks Lodge 1063 and the American Federation of Teachers.

He is Democratic committeeman in Precinct 19. (See WARD 1, Page 8A)

Ward 1 (four-year term)

Valencia challenging Skubish

Incumbent Casimir Skubish, 80, is seeking re-election. He served as 6th Ward alderman from 1953-1965, and was elected to represent the 1st Ward in 1981.

Skubish lives in the 2700 block of Lincoln Avenue with his wife, Gladys.

They have three adult children. Born in Needahsa, Kan., Skubish has resided in Granite City for most of his life. He is retired from Grand City Steel and also worked for the Illinois Department of Revenue and the city's Air Pollution Department.

He attended local schools, has studied accounting and air pollution control, and has attended many federal and state seminars on municipal government topics.

Shirley Valencia, 48, is challenging Skubish for his aldermanic post.

Valencia and her husband, Rufus, live in the 2900 block of Victory Drive. They have four children.

He is a member of Holy Family Catholic Church and many fraternal and social organizations.

He is currently chairman of the City Council's Ordinance Committee.

"Seniors deserve a seat on the City Council," Skubish said. "I want a closer linkage between our government and the people. Like many seniors, I want to be useful and productive."

Valencia and her husband, Rufus, live in the 2900 block of Victory Drive. They have four children.



Skubish Valencia

Born in Arkansas, Valencia has lived in Granite City for 30 years.

She owns and operates a hairdressing business. She is a member of Calvary Baptist Church and is Democratic committeewoman in Precinct 27.

She cited honesty and good citizenship as her qualifications. "I am an honest Granite City taxpayer, a person dedicated to the people," Valencia said.

"There is so much going on in Granite City that our citizens need to be aware of. Most of us are never informed about certain issues. Our taxpayers deserve to know what their taxes are being spent on," she said.

Ward 2

2 challenge Tarpoff

Incumbent Craig Tarpoff faces two challengers for his seat.

Tarpoff, 38, lives in the 2600 block of Madison Avenue with his wife, Kris. Mayor Van De Cruse appointed Tarpoff alderman in September 1991 when then-Alderman Virgil Kambarian moved to St. Louis and resigned.

Born in St. Louis, Tarpoff is a lifelong resident. He holds a bachelor degree from Westminster College in Fulton, Mo., and is owner/operator of Tarpoff Packing Co. in Granite City.

Tarpoff is a member of Saints Cyril and Methodius Eastern Church. He is also a member of Eagles Aerie 1126, the Society for Environmental Geochemistry and Health, a past member of the Executive Council of the Scouts, a charter member of the Tri-City Area YMCA, and on the executive board of the Superfund Coalition Against Mismanagement, a national group fighting the U.S. EPA's handling of federal environmental cleanup funds.

Tarpoff, chairman of the Citizen Advisory Committee on the NL/Tarapcorp Superfund cleanup, testified on behalf of the city before a House subcommittee in Washington, D.C., last summer and is considered a national expert on environmental and health issues.

He is chairman of the aldermanic Fire and Water Committee and also serves on the Finance and Planning/Zoning committees.



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He cited his experience in business, as an alderman and with environmental issues as his qualifications.

"I want to maintain stability and encourage growth in the community. I will continue to represent Granite City in its efforts to ensure the proper cleanup of the NL/Tarapcorp Superfund site."

"I will continue to fight for consistent zoning in residential neighborhoods. I will help develop sound, environmentally appropriate solutions to residential yard waste problems. I will work toward maintaining a sound financial base for the city, and continue to implement improvements in fire and ambulance equipment and services," Tarpoff said.

Kambarian, 46, was 2nd Ward alderman from May 1989 until he moved away in September 1991. He recently moved back to Granite City and is seeking the aldermanic seat once again. He lives in the 2600 block of Cleveland Boulevard with his wife, Lois. He has four children.

(See WARD 2, Page 8A)

Ward 3

3 seek Timko seat

Three candidates are vying for the seat currently held by Andy Timko, who is not seeking re-election.

Nick Petrillo, 46, lives in the 2200 block of Delmar Avenue with his wife, Cheryl. They have three children.

Born in Granite City, Petrillo has lived here most of his adult life. He is a teacher at Prather Elementary School and has also taught at the secondary and college levels in Nebraska, Missouri and Illinois over the past 23 years.

He holds a bachelor degree from Peru State College in Nebraska and a master degree from Northwest Missouri State University.

He is a member of the First Assembly of God Church and has been a youth group sponsor. He is currently sponsor of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes at Granite City High School.

Petrillo has never held public office. He cited honesty and willingness to work hard, sacrifice and serve as his qualifications.

"I am concerned for my city and my neighborhood. I intend to be an advocate for the people of the 3rd Ward; to be accessible for questions and concerns; to ensure responsible use of tax dollars; to advocate equal distribution of city services within the ward and city; to work with established neighborhood organizations for continued progress; to work toward continued development of new business in Granite City; and to work for continued redevelopment of our neighborhood and the downtown area," Petrillo said.

Nick "Louie" Mitalovich, 65, lives in the 2600 block of Jorden Avenue with his wife, Caroline. They have five children, ages 14 to 32.

Born in Madison, Mitalovich is a lifelong resident of this area. He is retired from Monsanto Chemical Co., where he was an assistant boiler operator.

He holds a general educational development high school equivalency certificate.

Mitalovich is a member of Holy Family Catholic Church and is a member of VFW Post 1300. He has never held public office.

He cited honesty and reliability as his qualifications. "I intend to give our community a head start toward a bright future and to restore our ward to the citizens of Granite City," Mitalovich said.

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Ward 4

3 seek Brown post

Three candidates are seeking the 4th Ward aldermanic seat. Current 4th Ward Alderman Dan Brown is running for mayor.

Former 7th Ward Alderman Emerald Dawes, 70, lives in the 1600 block of Moro Avenue with his wife, Irene. They have four adult children.

Dawes was defeated by Sandy Criles in his bid for re-election in April 1991. His home is now in the 4th Ward under a redistricting map adopted by the City Council last year.

Born in Venice, Dawes has lived in Granite City for 65 years. He has also served as 8th Ward alderman, precinct committeeman, constable and city inspector.

He is a retired barber and also worked at General Steel Industries.

Dawes is a member of Son Life Church in Collinsville and is a volunteer pallbearer, a volunteer barber at St. Elizabeth Medical Center and for shut-ins, a volunteer with Meals on Wheels, a member of AARP, the Granite City Senior Social Club, the Senior Citizens Choir and a life member of Disabled American Veterans.

Dawes cited his 20 years as an alderman as his qualification. "Because of my experience, I can best serve the needs of the constituents of my ward and help solve the problems of our city in the critical years ahead," Dawes said.

Foster "Freddie" Frederick, 58, lives in the 2400 (See WARD 4, Page 8A)



Dawes

Frederick

Bell

block of Logan Avenue with his wife, Marlene. They have five adult children.

Born in Kentucky, Frederick has lived in Granite City for 45 years. He is a tinner at Granite City Steel and has worked as a painter, sandblaster, production worker and maintenance worker in the past.

In addition to his general educational development high school equivalency certificate, Frederick has attended union schools and studied at Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville for two years.

A Korean War veteran, Frederick is a member of Eagles Aerie 1126, Moose Lodge 272 and United Steelworkers of America.

He is a member of Tri-City Park Tabernacle Church. He is a former Democratic committeeman in Precinct 8.

Frederick cited his union offices, hard work and activity in community affairs as his qualifications. (See WARD 4, Page 8A)

Ward 5

2 challenge O'Bear

Incumbent Ginny O'Bear is a candidate for re-election, seeking a second term as alderman.

She is one of three candidates. O'Bear and her husband, Raymond, live in the 2000 block of 13th Street. They have three adult children.

Born in Granite City, O'Bear is a lifelong resident. She is a homemaker.

Educated in Granite City public schools, she is of the Protestant faith.

O'Bear is a member of Croatian Lodge 222, AMVETS Auxiliary 204, AARP and a past PTA president. Girl Scout den mother and board member for Coordinated Youth Services.

She is chairman of the aldermanic Insurance and Safety Committee.

She cited vigilance, experience, independence and ability to be on the job full-time as her qualifications.

"I intend to fight for the rights of 5th Ward residents to keep their neighborhoods residential, to get a fair and honest share of city services, and to everything in my power to see that the city is run for the benefit of the people and not the politicians," O'Bear said.

Brenda Whitaker, 30, is a resident of the 1700 block of Olive Street. Born in Granite City, she is a lifelong resident.

Whitaker is a laborer at Granite City Steel, and owner of Reminiscence Country and Victorian Gift (See WARD 5, Page 8A)



O'Bear

Asadorian

Whitaker

Shop. She has also worked for the May Co. in its buying office.

She graduated from Granite City High School South.

"I intend to be a part of the continuation of the restoration and economic development in our neighborhoods and business district, and to see city government work for the average citizen," Whitaker said.

Eddie Asadorian, 44, lives in the 1600 block of Poplar Street. Born in Granite City, he is a lifelong resident.

Asadorian is a quality-assurance specialist at the Aviation and Troop Command in St. Louis. He has worked in the past as a personnel recruiter, retail store manager, correction officer and monitor at Granite City High School.

He is currently in his final year of work toward a degree in political science and history at Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville. Asadorian is a member of St. Gregory the (See WARD 5, Page 8A)

Ward 6

Eavenson faces Whitaker

Incumbent Judy Whitaker, 52, is seeking a third term on the City Council.

Whitaker and her husband, Walt, live in the 3200 block of Kilnary Drive. They have two adult children.

Born in Madison, Whitaker is a lifelong area resident. She is employed as a billing clerk at the Metro East Sanitary District, and has worked in the past as a manager at Kara Meadows Nursery in St. Louis.

A high school graduate, Whitaker has taken courses in law enforcement and child development at Belleville Area College.

She is a member of Holy Family Catholic Church. Whitaker is also a member of Elletts, Eagles Aerie 1126, Illinois Democratic Women, St. Elizabeth Medical Center "Wings" society and vice president of the Granite City Drug Abuse Resistance



Whitaker

Eavenson

Education Committee. She is the state Democratic committeewoman, a former committeeman in Precinct 32, and a former secretary of the Madison County Democratic Party Executive Board.

As chairman of the City Council's Sanitation Committee, Whitaker has implemented a yard waste disposal program, a recycling program, and obtained more than \$85,000 in grants from county, state and federal sources to pay for the programs.

She cited her experience as an alderman, and her experience on the state and county levels as her qualifications.

"Eight years ago, I was concerned about our city. Plants were closing, people were being laid off and a lot of people were talking about the end of Granite City," Whitaker said.

"Rather than gripe and complain, I decided to do something about it. I ran for (See WARD 6, Page 7A)

Ward 7

4 seek to replace Worthen

Four candidates are vying for the aldermanic post currently held by Jeff Worthen, who is running for mayor.

Kim Affolter, 35, lives in the 1600 block of Garfield Avenue with her husband, Lewis "Randy" Affolter. They have two children.

Born in Granite City, Affolter is a lifelong city resident and a 12-year resident of the 7th Ward.

She holds an Illinois insurance license, and has worked in the past as an assistant to the vice president of branch accounting and as an accounting clerk for Stifel, Nicolaus and Co. Inc., and as a youth counselor and intake specialist for the Madison County C.E.T.A. employment and training programs.

In addition to her high school education, she has taken various business, financial planning and estate planning courses.

Affolter is a member of Suburban Baptist Church. She is also a board member of the Frohhardt School PTA and a delegate to the Granite City Area Council of PTAs; has been active as a campaign fund solicitor for the United Way and active in a neighborhood watch program; was a den leader and secretary/treasurer for Cub Scout Pack 15; is a member of the Granite City Council for Gifted Children; and is a Tiger Cub family day director and former Cub Scout pack chairman with the Trails West Council of Boy Scouts of America.

She has never held public office. She cited her education, knowledge and business experience, as well as her record of volunteer service, as her qualifications.

"Seeking an answer to a question or a solution to a problem has been the backbone of my work experience. As a (See WARD 7, Page 7A)



Affolter

Hoffman

Whitaker and her husband, Walt, live in the 3200 block of Kilnary Drive. They have two adult children.

Born in Madison, Whitaker is a lifelong area resident. She is employed as a billing clerk at the Metro East Sanitary District, and has worked in the past as a manager at Kara Meadows Nursery in St. Louis.

A high school graduate, Whitaker has taken courses in law enforcement and child development at Belleville Area College.

She is a member of Holy Family Catholic Church. Whitaker is also a member of Elletts, Eagles Aerie 1126, Illinois Democratic Women, St. Elizabeth Medical Center "Wings" society and vice president of the Granite City Drug Abuse Resistance

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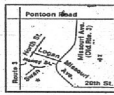
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Ward 7

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and confidence while working for several of the city's departments. This also provided me with vast knowledge and information on how each of those departments functioned and enabled me to take on the responsibilities of cooperatively working with each of those departments," Affolter said.

With my education, knowledge and experience in the insurance industry and on insurance laws, I feel I can contribute valuable insight and creative and fresh approaches to controlling the ever-increasing insurance costs to both the city and its employees.

Furthermore, my experience and education in accounting and financial planning would allow me to assist the city in financial and budgetary matters.

Training, skills and background aside, I have continually committed myself to the betterment of our community through various organizations.

I share the thoughts and concerns of the citizens of Granite City to make this a better place to live, work, shop and raise a family," Affolter said.

"There are many pressing issues that we are facing. However, I feel that, when a single resident encounters a problem that requires a solution, it should be treated with the same integrity as a major issue.

"It is time to elect individuals who will truly represent the needs of the people and not their own best interests. I firmly believe I can deliver these qualities to the residents of the 7th Ward with the respect and professionalism they deserve.

"The residents are entitled to an alderman who will remain easy to reach, highly visible, hard-working and committed to their needs as well as the continued progress of Granite City. For most of my life, I have dedicated myself to helping others through volunteer services.

"I would like to take the opportunity to devote my time, energy and resources to the residents of the 7th Ward and to the citizens of Granite City," she said.

Janet Partney, 46, lives in the 2600 block of Donald Court with her husband, David. They have three children.

Born in Granite City, Partney is a lifelong resident. She is a Realtor with the D.W. Brown agency and previously owned and operated Strawberry Hill

Creamery.

She has attended Barnes Hospital School of Nursing, Belleville Area College, Lewis and Clark Community College and the University of Missouri at St. Louis.

Partney is a member of St. Elizabeth Catholic Church. She is a founding member and past president of the Women's Division of the Tri-Cities Area Chamber of Commerce, past president of the Granite City Jaycees, past member of the Maryville School PTA, was co-chairman and house renovation captain of the Christmas in April project in 1992, is past chairman of the Quad Cities Cancer drive, and a member of the Granite City Boosters Club.

She has never held public office.

She cited her business and professional experience, as well as her involvement in civic affairs and lifelong residency as her qualifications.

"As a lifelong resident, homeowner, taxpayer and business professional in Granite City, I witness on a daily basis the problems that are facing our city. I have the qualifications, both educationally and common sense-wise, to help contribute my expertise in solving and eliminating these problems," Partney said.

She said that high taxes in the 7th Ward, protection of property values there, needed infrastructure improvements such as curbs, gutters and drainage, safety in schools and in the community at large, youth programs, and fiscal responsibility are among the issues which concern her.

"I have a very strong desire to work hard to make our city a better place to live and work and see it grow and thrive again as the city it once was.

"We definitely need to hold the line on taxes in order to keep our residents here and attract new residents to our city.

"We need better youth programs for our children and safety in our schools and community. We need to improve our image as a city, take pride in our homes and neighborhoods, and generally improve the looks of our city in order to attract new residents and businesses.

"We still have some wonderful people in our community that deserve to be served well by their city officials. These citizens have been good to me both personally and professionally. I feel that helping our city to improve is my way of showing my thanks

to them," Partney said.

Alan S. Milton, 35, lives in the 2100 block of Clark Avenue with his wife, Cynthia. They have three children.

Born in Granite City, Milton is a lifelong resident. He is a sheet metal worker, has been employed in the past by Granite City Steel and has been a heating and air conditioning instructor at Belleville Area College.

In addition to his high school education, Milton attended Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville and BAC, graduating in 1986.

He is a member of First Presbyterian Church.

He ran unsuccessfully for 3rd Ward alderman in 1989.

He cited his education, work experience and residency as his qualifications.

"I have many reasons to seek office. I have a need to make a difference in the future of Granite City.

"As a family man and resident, I find highly upsetting the way more and more of my friends and family are leaving the city. I want my friends and family to remain here. They should be able to earn a living and raise their families in a town that fulfills their needs. This is what I will work toward," Milton said.

Raymond R. Hoffman, 59, lives in the 2200 block of Waterman Avenue with his wife, Betty. They have four adult children.

Born in Granite City, Hoffman is a lifelong resident. He is a recreation supervisor for the Granite City Park District, and has been employed in the past as plant manager and quality control manager for Jennison Wright.

In addition to his high school education, Hoffman attended two years of night school at Southern Illinois University at Alton and kept a job.

He is a member of St. Elizabeth Catholic Church.

Hoffman has never held public office.

He cited his experience with budgets, and his residency as his qualifications.

"I have worked with budgets for the last 23 years and I have lived in Granite City for 39 years. I know the needs of the city," Hoffman said.

"There are some important decisions to be made in the next four years and I would like to be a part of that.

"I would like to see Granite City progress instead of losing people and businesses," he said.

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had to "take the heat" for taking what may have been unpopular stands on issues, but which she felt were best for the city.

"Some people are saying it is time for a change. But these are the people that don't remember how things were in 1984.

"As an alderman, I was paid \$6,328, including expenses. But the biggest reward for my hard work is serving the residents of the city and the 6th Ward.

"Sometimes people don't realize what they have until they've lost it. It isn't time for a change. It is time for us to carry on the fight to continue to make our community even better," Whitaker said.

Brad Evenson, 37, lives in the 3300 block of Westchester Drive with his wife, Lorna.

Born in Colorado Springs, Colo., Evenson has lived in this area most of his life. He is director of food services for the Granite City School District and has been employed in the past as a restaurant manager, supervisor and director of operations for three national restaurant chains.

A graduate of Granite City

High School, Evenson has taken courses at Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville and Belleville Area College.

He is a member of the Clark Avenue Church of Christ.

Evenson is president of the Granite City Kiwanis, a member of Elks Lodge 1063, president-elect of the Madison County Food Service Association and a member of the American Food Service Association.

He has never held public office.

Evenson cited his business and management skills as his qualifications.

"I have worked in business management for most of my adult life. For the past year and a half, as director of food services for our local school district, I have managed a department with a budget of more than \$1.7 million.

"Together with the employees of my department, I have been able to reduce a prior department deficit in excess of \$90,000 to a department which in 1992 contributed more than \$30,000 to the School District Education Fund," Evenson said.

"Over the past several years, Granite City has added new residential areas and several new businesses. These new homes and businesses have generated property and sales tax dollars.

"In addition, homeowners are now paying an additional \$22 per year for trash pickup. The trash bill alone should generate more than \$720,000 a year. We have to ask ourselves, 'What is City Hall doing with this money?' With this additional revenue, we have seen city services, such as residential sewer cleaning, decrease," Evenson said.

"We have seen a fire station closed on more than one occasion because we could not afford overtime for the firefighters.

"Our paramedic and ambulance service, which is and always will be one of the best in the state, has worked under the threat of being replaced by a contract service company, and we have recently seen city employees go long periods of time without a working contract."

"On top of this we have seen the City Council members' salaries increased by 100 percent. I want the opportunity to bring some priority spending ideas to our city budget, and that is the primary reason I am seeking this office," Evenson said.

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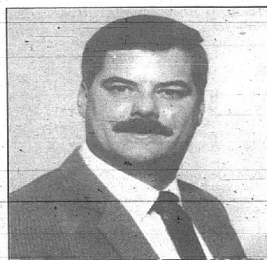
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"It is my aspiration that I can in some way help Granite City to continue to grow and prosper," Page said.

The two-year term is a result of a redistricting plan, approved by the City Council last year, that left current 1st Ward Alderman Juanita Crawley's residence in the 3rd Ward.

•Ward 3

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Grand Avenue with his wife, Denise. They have one child, Alyssa, age 8.

Born in Kansas City, Mo., Nash has lived in Granite City for 15 years. He is self-employed in sales and marketing and previously worked in restaurant management. He holds an associate degree in applied science from Penn Valley Community College in Kansas City.

He is a member of and an elder in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, and achieved Eagle Scout rank.

Nash has never held public office.

He cited his business experience as his qualification.

"I intend to help promote citizen representation at a local level, and to give citizens a voice in their local government," Nash said.

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Illuminator Armenian Apostolic Church.

He is also a member of Elks Lodge 1063, the Mexican Honorary Commission, and a past member of the Pontoon Beach Lions.

He is a former precinct committeeman.

"I intend to provide the type of representation our neighborhood and ward need," Asadorian said.

BAC volunteers to aid cleanup

Students, faculty and administrators of Bell County Area College's Granite City campus will join together Saturday, April 17, to slash the trash in Granite City.

Volunteers from BAC have agreed to join in the Tri-City Chamber of Commerce's "Trash Day" to help remove litter in the area.

Steve Held, director of College Activities at the Granite City Campus, said he expects 25-30 volunteers to take part.

The volunteers will meet at 8 a.m. in Wilson Park in Granite City to learn their assignments.

The BAC crew most likely will be working in the area surrounding Granite City campus, Held said.

"Our main objective is to clean up as much garbage and pollution as we can in one day," Held said.

Waste haulers will be stationed along the clean-up route to help dispose of the garbage properly. The Trash the Truck crew will work from 9-11:30 a.m., then

return to Wilson Park for a picnic lunch.

"This is one of the few activities that occur off campus with students, faculty and administrators can work together," Held said. "On a day like this, everyone is wearing jeans and sweatshirts and everybody is the same."

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"This will give the Bushleaguers a chance to prove to the public just how good they really are when they go up against our high-caliber team," explains Churchich. "I'm sure everyone involved will have a great time at the game as well as knowing they helped benefit the Make-A-Wish Foundation."

Honorary coaches, Franklin County Sheriff Bill Wilson, Churchich and Illinois Sheriffs Association Executive Director Don White, will instruct their team, composed of sheriffs from all regions of the state, on strategies to defeat their opponents.

McIntire, KSDK Sports Director Mike Bush will prep his team to meet the sheriffs' challenge.

Tickets are available at the following locations: The Altan Telegraph at 111 E. Broadway, Altan; The Magna Bank of Altan at 2801 Homer Adams, Altan; The Roosevelt Bank on Altan Square; KSDK-TV at 1000 Market, St. Louis and Southern Illinois sheriffs' offices.

For more information, contact Donald R. White or Kim Roberts at the Illinois Sheriffs Association's office at (217) 496-2371 or Ryker at 665-3316.

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Born in Granite City, Kambarian has lived here most of his life. He is a teacher at River View Gardens Senior High School in St. Louis, and previously taught and coached in the Southern and Granite City school districts. He has also been employed at Granite City Steel, Nesco Steel Barrel and Laclede Steel Co.

He holds a bachelor degree from Eastern Illinois University and has done postgraduate study in history, political science and management information systems at Eastern, Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville and St. Louis University.

Kambarian is a member of St. Gregory's Armenian Apostolic Church. He is also a member of Elks Lodge 1063. He was chairman of the aldermanic Fire and Water Committee when he resigned from the City Council.

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"I intend to reunite the mayor's office, aldermen and elected officeholders. I am in favor of better police protection, protecting the environment, no Eticam, jobs, more jobs, and education," Frederick said.

Former assistant Fire Chief Bob Bell, 49, lives in the 100 block of Briarwood with his wife, Marti. They have three children.

Born in Granite City, Bell is a lifelong resident. He is a court bailiff in the Third Judicial Circuit after retiring from the Granite City Fire Department with 21 years of service. He holds an associate degree from Lewis and Clark Community College. He is of the Protestant faith.

and also sat on the Finance and Planning/Zoning committees. He was chairman of the Ad Hoc Committee on Personnel.

He cited his professional and work experience, and his past accomplishments as his qualifications, and pledged to try to implement a new management philosophy in the city.

"My goal is to make our city government more efficient and, more importantly, to make it more effective. The ideal effective government would rely on three fundamental principles — accountability, performance, and results."

"These ideals are embodied in programs called Total Quality Management and Entrepreneurial Government, civic reform techniques that are being turned into reality in cities like Sunnyvale and Visalia, Calif.," Kambarian said.

He said the new approaches were implemented as a result of Proposition 13, which forced cit-

ies in California to dramatically cut back tax revenues, and said the same techniques could be applied in Granite City.

Terry Zarlingo, 24, is the newcomer in the 2nd Ward race. Zarlingo lives in the 2800 block of Idaho Avenue. Born in East St. Louis, he is a lifelong resident of Granite City.

Zarlingo is an independent agent of PennCorp Financial Inc. He holds a bachelor degree in political science from Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville.

He is a member of Holy Family Catholic Church.

Asked what his qualifications are, he responded: "My personal attributes combined with my will to achieve commitments for residents within Ward 2 by any form of communication."

Zarlingo said he "seek(s) to provide every citizen the opportunity to optimize their self-interest through political interaction, for example, to democratize the democracy."

Bell is a member of the Eagles and Elks.

He cited his years of experience in city and township affairs as his qualifications.

"I know the issues before the city and have been active for many years with township and city problems," Bell said.

"This City Council has not thought about the taxpayers of our city. We pay the bills, but they do not listen to what we have to say concerning services."

"The present City Council established a fee for trash pick-up but did not ask us about it before passing this fee. The fee is paid only by residential taxpayers — our business and corporate community does not share the cost. People on fixed incomes, such as senior citizens and disabled taxpayers, are affected most by this fee."

"The present City Council and administration have let our emergency service personnel levels reduce by placing a hiring freeze on these departments, yet they hire personnel in the controller's department without question. They have stopped other services, such as the sewer cleaning performed by the street department, yet we pay the same or more in real estate taxes."

"There are several areas at the top where cuts could be made and not affect these vital services. I would work with the new mayor and City Council to solve these inequities. I would also look at matters brought before the council with the whole city in mind, not just my area. I feel that too many aldermen think their area is the only part of the city that exists," Bell said.

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EDUCATION: This is an issue of prime importance to Dan McGuire. Seeking to improve all levels of education, he plans to institute new ways to generate revenue for our school systems. He especially wants to create a fund that will be distributed to needy Granite City students seeking an Associate Degree at our local college. This fund will be completely subsidized by monies outside the tax dollars allocated for education. Furthermore, the money collected, will be invested in local banks.

DISCOVERY HOUSE CONCEPT: Every year thousands of Illinois dollars are spent for entertainment and education across the river, in Missouri. Both Madison and St. Clair county school district conduct field trips to places like "The Magic House" in Kirkwood, Missouri. These funds would be better spent in our own community. By developing similar concept in Granite City, to be called "The Discovery House," Dan McGuire will have a program that will generate additional city revenue, employ local students, and the profits will be invested in the community for his Educational Aid package.

JOBS: In order to maintain, and improve our productive community, quality employment needs to be created. Dan McGuire will diligently pursue job growth in our city. Offering incentives, and showcasing the skilled labor force available in our town, he will attract industry that will provide high income positions for residents, and an improved base for our city.

SENIOR CITIZENS: Dan McGuire is concerned with the welfare of our senior citizens. Conscious of their limited income, he plans to implement economic assistance programs for selected city services. He plans to give back a little of what they have given the city throughout their lives.

POLICE AND FIRE CHIEF SELECTION SYSTEM: Prior administrations have chosen their Police and Fire Chiefs by political patronage. Dan McGuire, seeking to remove politics from something as valuable to the community as the head of these departments, will institute the following changes in the selection process: A committee will be formed from the ranks of both the Police and Fire Departments. They will make a number of recommendations. A written exam will be given, there will be an oral exam, and the Mayor with the committee will reach a consensus on the new Chief.

ETICAM: Dan McGuire feels as most Granite City residents do: "We do not want a toxic waste plant in our city." He stands firm on this issue and takes complete responsibility for the stand.

AMBULANCE SERVICE: The Granite City Police and Fire Departments do not favor a change to outside contracted ambulance service, and neither do the residents of Granite City. Dan McGuire is in touch with the people on this issue, and feels that an outside ambulance service would not be in the best interest of the city.

ABANDONED BUILDINGS: Old, dilapidated buildings and homes in our city need some attention. Some need to be torn down, others could be saved and even made attractive. Repairs and renovation of these salvageable buildings can be accomplished in a number of ways. Many cities have offered low interest loans; others have utilized credits for deeds with time constraints placed on repair time. What is really needed is a Mayor who will actively seek solutions to these problems. Dan McGuire will be that kind of Mayor.

WELFARE: Training welfare recipients of the city to live productive lives is another goal of Dan McGuire. Working side-by-side with the State, utilizing available federal funds, McGuire plans to have those who have become dependent of the Welfare System retrained, so they can become self-sufficient.

LEAF PROBLEMS: By conducting personal door to door surveys, Dan McGuire has inquired what the people desire to be done with their leaves. He proposes a compromise with the EPA rulings, since the general consensus is that people wish to burn their leaves. He would establish two weekends in November and December to burn leaves.

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Official pushing ethanol — with own car

CARLINVILLE — The head of Illinois' Agriculture Department is a driving force for the use of ethanol as an alternative fuel.

Since August, Becky Doyle has put more than 14,000 miles on her Chevy Lumina that runs 85 percent ethanol and 15 percent gasoline.

The car was one of 12 Lumina's that became Illinois' ethanol demonstration fleet last July. Only 50 of the Lumina's were produced by General Motors Corp. in 1992.

Doyle said she gets about 20 to 22 miles per gallon under all kinds of driving conditions and has never had any complaints.

"I haven't had a bit of trouble, even in cold weather," she said. Doyle pulled up to a meeting of the Macoupin Corn/Soy Association last week to demonstrate the importance of using biofuels such as ethanol and SoyDiesel.

In addition to her car, people saw a truck that runs on SoyDiesel.

"As a department, we've spent a lot of time promoting ethanol, and we're just getting started on SoyDiesel promotions," Doyle said. Public Information Officer Patrick Hogan said it was logical to have Doyle test the ethanol-powered car, since ethanol is produced mainly by corn, an agricultural product. During the three-year pilot program, the cars will be tested for reliability and durability of engines, overall performance and cost of operation. The range of testing situations will include rural and highway driving, as

well as hot and cold weather. "I've never had to turn the key twice to get it started in cold weather," Doyle said. "I can't say the same thing about my other car I drive at home. I have better luck starting the Lumina than the other one."

State officials are particularly interested in how well ethanol will meet the emission standards for the cars of the future. A complete testing program will be performed.

The vehicles are identical to regular, gasoline-powered cars, except for their variable fuel features. They are designed to use a blend of 85 percent denatured 200-proof ethanol (also known as ethyl alcohol) and 15 percent gasoline. However, the cars can also run on the more common blend of 10 percent ethanol and 90 percent gasoline. Doyle said she occasionally uses the 10 percent blend and cannot detect a difference in performance.

To me, the magical thing about this car is that if I'm not able to make it back from somewhere on E-85 fuel, I can

put in the 10 percent blend and the car takes care of it," she said. "I just pump the gas in the car. Through what I consider magic, but they tell me it's the computer, the car calibrates itself. I've never had a knock or a surge; it just takes care of itself."

Doyle added, "It's been amazing to me that these cars can do that, but that's the kind of thing we need to achieve before these ethanol-fueled cars can become commercially

viable."

Illinois has one of the strongest ethanol policies in the nation.

In September 1991, Gov. Jim Edgar signed legislation requiring all state vehicles to use the 10 percent ethanol blend.

"Gov. Edgar added that extra 'oomph' by getting involved in the ethanol promotion," Doyle said. "We appreciate how much time and effort he put into that last year."

— From the Alton Telegraph

Belle firm eyes Kansas City

SPRINGFIELD — The firm that owns the Alton Belle Casino is seeking to drop anchor in the Kansas City, Mo., area.

Argosy Gaming Co. has submitted a proposal for a 24-hour casino operation in Riverside, Mo., on the Missouri River a few miles from downtown Kansas City, the firm's director of investor relations G. Dan Marshall said Tuesday.

The city of Riverside recently requested proposals for a casino operation, even before Tuesday's vote on permitting local gambling. The issue passed 283-138.

Marshall said the firm is not revealing any details of its proposal at this time.

Marshall said other proposals have also been submitted but he didn't know how many competitors are involved.

Riverside officials could not be reached for comment Tuesday. — From the Alton Telegraph

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Obituaries



Peggy Mayes

Peggy J. (Morlan) Mayes, 56, of Madison died at 5:35 p.m. Tuesday, April 13, 1993, at Memorial Hospital, Belleville, where she had been a patient since Sunday. She had resided at Notre Dame Nursing Home, Belleville, for one month and had been ill for three years.

Born in Conway, Ark., on Oct. 19, 1936, she had been a resident of Granite City most of her life. She had been a bottle packer at Obernester Glass Co. in St. Louis and a line worker at Open Kitchen in Madison. She was of the Baptist faith.

Survivors include four daughters, Vickie Leonard of Madison, and Yonda Mayes, Marilyn Ryan and Tina Clapper, all of Granite City; a son, Donald Mayes Jr., of Buchanan, Va.; a brother, Fred Mack Morlan of Granite City; 11 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Donald Mayes Sr., who died May 1, 1992; her parents, Walter Howard Morlan and Iva Jewell (McCollum) Morlan.

Visitation will be held from 5 to 8 p.m. today at Irwin Chapel, 3960

Maryville Road, Granite City, where services will be held at 10 a.m. Friday, with the Rev. Wayne Musatics officiating. Burial will be at Sunset Hill Memorial Estates, Glen Carbon.

Memorials are suggested for the Alzheimer's Foundation.

Audrey Owca

Audrey Anne (Ellis) Owca, 59, of Collinsville, formerly of East St. Louis, died at 10:45 a.m. Monday, April 12, 1993, at her home. Born in Anna, Ill., on Oct. 15, 1933, she retired in 1968 from Kraft Food Co., St. Louis, where she worked at Switzer Food Service in East St. Louis for the past three years. She was a member of St. Stephen's Catholic Church, Caseyville.

Survivors include four nephews, Michael Ellis of Arnold, Mo., Norman Owca and Marvin Owca, both of Granite City, and Robert Owca of South Carolina, and three nieces, Lisa Ellis of Washington, Mo., Judy McCann of Collinsville and Vickie Lopez of Belleville.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Ferdinand Owca, who died in 1980; her parents, Earnest and Sadie Ellis; and a brother, Earnest Earl Ellis.

The funeral procession left today from Kassy Colonial Mortuary, Fairview Heights, for a Mass at St. Stephen's Church, Caseyville, with the Rev. Thomas Flach officiating. Burial was at Mount Carmel Cemetery, Belleville.

Memorials are suggested for the American Heart Association or as Masses.

Ann Gresco

Ann M. (Dugan) Gresco, 71, of Granite City, formerly of Wood River, died at 2:40 p.m. Wednesday, April 14, 1993, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center, where she had been a patient since Sunday. She had been ill for a brief time.

Born in Wood River, on Oct. 31, 1921, she had been a resident in Granite City for 20 years. She was

a homemaker and member of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Madison.

Survivors include her husband, John J. Gresco, whom she married April 15, 1950, in Wood River; a son, Don Gresco of Chesterfield, Mo.; a daughter, Sandra Reed of Roxana; three brothers, Peter Dugan and Andrew Dugan, both of Wood River, and John Dugan of East Alton; a sister, Kathryn Pochakalski of Wood River; and three grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, John and Rose (Zupani) Dugan; a brother, Thomas Dugan; and two sisters, Doris Luketch and Mary Filandro. Visitation will be held from 5 to 8 p.m. Friday, April 16, at Irwin Chapel, 3960 Maryville Road, Granite City, where prayer services will be held at 7 p.m. Friday.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday at Irwin Chapel with the Rev. James Keener officiating. Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery in Glen Carbon.

The family suggests Masses as memorials.

Dance Friday

The Armenian Relief Federation will hold what organizer John Kaberdjian is calling "The Mother of All Dances" at 7 p.m. Friday at St. Gregory's Hall in Granite City.

All proceeds from the dance will go to help purchase medical equipment and help provide for basic needs of the citizens of Armenia.

The dance will feature John Ullet of KSHE (FM 94.7) radio and a live band of Armenian girls. Door prizes have been donated by Miller Brewing Co.

In shooting for 600 or more people at the hall, Kaberdjian said.

Books by Robert Olen Butler

Robert Olen Butler, author of "Alleys of Eden," "The Deuce," "Countrymen of Bones," "On Distant Shores," "Wabash," and "Sun Dogs."

Butler, who lives in New York, is a commercial writer in New York — on the Long Island Railroad. Although now a tenured professor, he still spends at least two hours a day writing fiction. Kuenstler said Butler was a very good student writer, but not very good at teaching.

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Pulitzer

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beings," she said. "At the time he was my student he wasn't sure what he was going to do. He was thinking about being a writer, but he was a good speaker and a good actor and could do almost everything well."

"But I knew that, once he found his niche in life, he would go right to the top," Butler said. Michael said Butler has returned to Granite City and helped encourage students a number of times and said he is one of the most inspirational people she has ever known.

At a 1988 seminar at the Granite City Campus of Belleville Area College, Butler told a frustrated, unpublished poet to keep on writing.

"Enjoy your own song," he said. "The birds don't worry if nobody listens."

Kuenstler, who taught Butler in advanced English classes, also said she was thrilled by the news of Butler's Pulitzer.

"(Opera singer) Edna Mills and Bob Butler have really put Granite City on the map when it comes to arts and letters," Kuenstler said. "And both worked very hard for their success. Both are extremely talented, but I often wonder how they developed the extreme self-discipline that allowed them to flourish that talent and develop into the best in the field."

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novels in long-hand on legal pads as he commuted to work. "He was a commercial writer in New York — on the Long Island Railroad. Although now a tenured professor, he still spends at least two hours a day writing fiction."

Kuenstler said Butler was a very good student writer, but not very good at teaching. Butler said he reserves that honor for two of his students who were selected for the prestigious Writer's Workshop at the University of Iowa: Keith Vizer and Connie Corzilius.

"But Bob Butler is among the best I ever taught," she said. "He was always a good observer of people. He is understanding and compassionate and can relate to people at any level."

"I remember him telling me once about the summer he spent driving a taxi and all the different people he met. He can relate to people in any walk of life — even the most intellectual snob — and he is a very good listener."

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the committee was the fact that the various merchants have differing, and sometimes directly opposing, views.

For example, while one merchant complained about regulation of parking in front of his business, another owner, just one block away, asked for more strict enforcement of the same law.

"What we have here tonight is representatives of different businesses, all with different needs," Partney said.

He suggested that the business owners form an organized downtown merchants' association to work among themselves and with the aldermanic committee toward solutions to the various issues.

"If we do it as a group, every one benefits," Partney said. "A similar organization existed about three years ago, but died out from a lack of interest."

On the issue of traffic, both Miller and Worthen said they are sure that the new Madison

County Transit District bus terminal, scheduled to officially open tomorrow, will create more foot traffic downtown, which should be good for existing businesses.

But they are not sure how the increased bus traffic will affect the flow of vehicular traffic. They said the city's attempt to establish a centralized location for state agencies — such as the Department of Employment Security, the Attorney General's Office and other state offices — at the site of the former Central Bank building, could also create more activity in the area.

Among the traffic and parking problems discussed were creation of one-way streets and angle parking, establishing a large, centralized parking lot, and modifying the existing two-hour regulations.

The merchants were generally apathetic about the creation of a farmer's market in the central business district. The aldermen said that they had no specific plans about the proposal, but that such a facility could also create more foot traffic and

is no doubt I have strong emotional ties to Vietnam."

But Butler resists the label of "Vietnam specialist," saying Vietnam is only a setting for fiction that deals with universal human emotions.

Butler said it has been an exciting month for "A Good Scent" in addition to the Pulitzer the book was awarded a Guggenheim Fellowship, earned a Rosenbach Foundation Award from the American Academy of Arts and Literature and is a finalist for the PEN/Faulkner Award.

The monetary awards brought by the honors will enable Butler to take a sabbatical beginning in January. He plans to return to Vietnam.

"I am really looking forward to returning and have started brushing up on my Vietnamese," he said. "I still find it a fascinating place. I really do."

And he said, "It may be the very best place in the world for a young person who wants to write fiction. Granite City is a real place — you can't live a sheltered life there and the experiences you get there will serve you the rest of your life."

They said the market could be similar in nature to an existing farmer's market in the south St. Louis Soudard neighborhood, and would likely be open only one day a week. Produce, craft items and knickknacks could be among the items offered, Miller said.

Several of the merchants said they would be willing to utilize incentives such as low-interest loans to help build the market.

They suggested that the aldermanic committee establish some specific guidelines regarding the amount and kind of assistance the city would be willing to offer. They also said they would strongly support greater enforcement of city building codes in the downtown area.

While some of the business leaders said they would support a downtown merchants' association, others said after the meeting that they suspect that the dialogue between them and the aldermen had ended with the conclusion of the meeting.

edge (the competition) previously held."

National Steel, headquartered in Mishawaka, Ind., is the fourth-largest steel producer in the United States and has about 10,300 employees.

In addition to Granite City, the company operates steel production facilities in Escoria, Mich., and Portage, Ind.

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Golf

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proceeds from the pro shop, he projects revenues in excess of \$1 million per year, he said.

The feasibility test should be completed within six weeks.

In other action, the trustees decided to meet with a representative of the Southwestern Illinois Metropolitan and Regional Planning Commission before releasing the city's \$821 annual contribution to the agency. SIM-PAC bases its fees on population.

The board also:

—Approved a business license

application by Barbara Copeland to sell used cars and truck at 3940 Pontoon Road.

—Approved, pending rezoning, an application by Susan Shafer to operate a wedding shop and tree nursery on Highway 111. The property is currently zoned agricultural.

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Funeral services

Area deaths reported in this week's Sunday and Wednesday newspapers include:

BOYER, Mildred E. (Adams), 81, of Mitchell, formerly of Venice, died at 7:10 p.m. Thursday, April 8, 1993, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center, Granite City. There was no visitation. Private graveside services were held Wednesday at John Cemetery, Granite City. Arrangements were by Mercer Mortuary, Granite City.

CHANDLER, Dovie D. (Powers), 89, of Granite City, formerly of Dover, Tenn., died at 5:32 p.m. Thursday, April 8, 1993, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center. Services were held Monday at Anglin Funeral Home, Dover. Burial was at Hart's Cemetery, Stewart County, Tenn. Local arrangements were by Mercer Mortuary, Granite City. Memorials to Hospital of Madison County, Granite City.

CRAMER, Austin Ray, 74, of Madison died at 11:10 a.m. Wednesday, April 7, 1993, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center, Granite City. Services were held Saturday at Irwin Chapel, Granite City, by the Rev. Charles Swenke. Burial was at St. John Cemetery, Granite City. Memorials to Shriners Hospital for Crippled Children, St. Louis.

GUARDIOLA, Antonio, 73, of Madison died at 1:35 a.m. Thursday, April 8, 1993, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center, Granite City. Survivors include a son, Davin Guardiolo of Troy. Services were held Saturday at Mercer Mortuary, Granite City, by the Rev. Finnian McMullin. Burial was at Calvary Cemetery, Glen Carbon.

HAND, John William, 80, of Granite City died at 2:10 a.m. Thursday, April 8, 1993, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center. Survivors include his wife, Emma B. (Whitcotton) Hand. Services were held Saturday at Irwin Cha-

pel, Granite City, by the Rev. Henry Crippen. Burial was at St. John Cemetery, Granite City.

KENNEY, Fleeta M. (Cross), 100, of Granite City, died at 10:45 a.m. Friday, April 9, 1993, at the Colonnades Nursing Home. Visitation was held Monday at Davis Funeral Home, Granite City. Services were held Tuesday at Nameoki Presbyterian Church, Granite City, by the Rev. Vicki Harden. Burial was at Oak Grove Cemetery, Hillsboro, Ill. Memorials to Nameoki Presbyterian Church.

KIMBERLIN, Mary Elizabeth (Jackson), 86, Caseyville, formerly of Granite City and St. Louis, died at 6:42 p.m. Thursday, April 8, 1993, at Caseyville Nursing Home. Services were held Saturday at Werner Chapel for Funerals, Pontoon Beach, by the Rev. Don DeJarnett. Burial was at Oak Grove Cemetery, St. Louis. Memorials to the Diabetes Foundation.

MATEYKA, Cecelia R. (Haglund), 74, of Glen Carbon, formerly of Granite City, died at 1:46 a.m. Monday, April 12, 1993, at Anderson Hospital, Maryville. Mass was celebrated Wednesday at St. Cecilia's Catholic Church, Glen Carbon, by the Rev. Stephen Pothman. Burial was at Sunset Hill Cemetery, Glen Carbon. Arrangements were by Weber Funeral Home, Edwardsville. Memorials to American Cancer Society.

MOSIER, William Lewis "Tennessee," 82, of Granite City, was pronounced dead at 11:25 a.m. Monday, April 12, 1993, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center after accidentally falling 25 feet out of a tree he had been trimming in Sunny Dell Acres. Visitation was held Wednesday at Werner Chapel for Funerals, 3899 Lake Drive, Pontoon Beach, where services will be held at 1 p.m. today by the Rev. Henry Crippen. Burial will be at Valley View Cemetery, Edwardsville.

PASCHEDAD, Debra Jean (Yelton), 37, of Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo., formerly of Granite City, died suddenly Thursday, April 8, 1993, in Warrensburg, Mo. Services were held Monday at Irwin Chapel, Granite City, by the Rev. David Fielding. Burial was at Lake View Memorial Gardens, Belleville. Memorials to Hope Lutheran Church, Granite City.

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KENNEY, Fleeta M. (Cross), 100, of Granite City, died at 10:45 a.m. Friday, April 9, 1993, at the Colonnades Nursing Home. Visitation was held Monday at Davis Funeral Home, Granite City. Services were held Tuesday at Nameoki Presbyterian Church, Granite City, by the Rev. Vicki Harden. Burial was at Oak Grove Cemetery, Hillsboro, Ill. Memorials to Nameoki Presbyterian Church.

KIMBERLIN, Mary Elizabeth (Jackson), 86, Caseyville, formerly of Granite City and St. Louis, died at 6:42 p.m. Thursday, April 8, 1993, at Caseyville Nursing Home. Services were held Saturday at Werner Chapel for Funerals, Pontoon Beach, by the Rev. Don DeJarnett. Burial was at Oak Grove Cemetery, St. Louis. Memorials to the Diabetes Foundation.

MATEYKA, Cecelia R. (Haglund), 74, of Glen Carbon, formerly of Granite City, died at 1:46 a.m. Monday, April 12, 1993, at Anderson Hospital, Maryville. Mass was celebrated Wednesday at St. Cecilia's Catholic Church, Glen Carbon, by the Rev. Stephen Pothman. Burial was at Sunset Hill Cemetery, Glen Carbon. Arrangements were by Weber Funeral Home, Edwardsville. Memorials to American Cancer Society.

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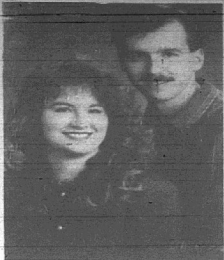
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Laurie Hicks
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Laurie Hicks, daughter of Larry and Evon Hicks of Granite City, and Matthew Maue, son of Mary Lou Maue of Mitchell and the late James Maue, have announced their engagement and forthcoming marriage.

The bride-to-be is a 1990 graduate of Son-Life Christian High School, Collinsville, and is currently attending Belleville Area College in the physical therapy assistant program. She is a part-time employee of Wal-Mart in Glen Carbon.

Her fiancé is a 1988 graduate of Christian Liberty Academy and a 1992 graduate of Belleville Area College with an associates degree in administration of justice. He is employed by St. Elizabeth Medical Center as an emergency room technician and is a member of the Mitchell Volunteer Fire Department.

The couple is planning a May wedding to be held at Faith Chapel General Baptist Church in Mitchell.



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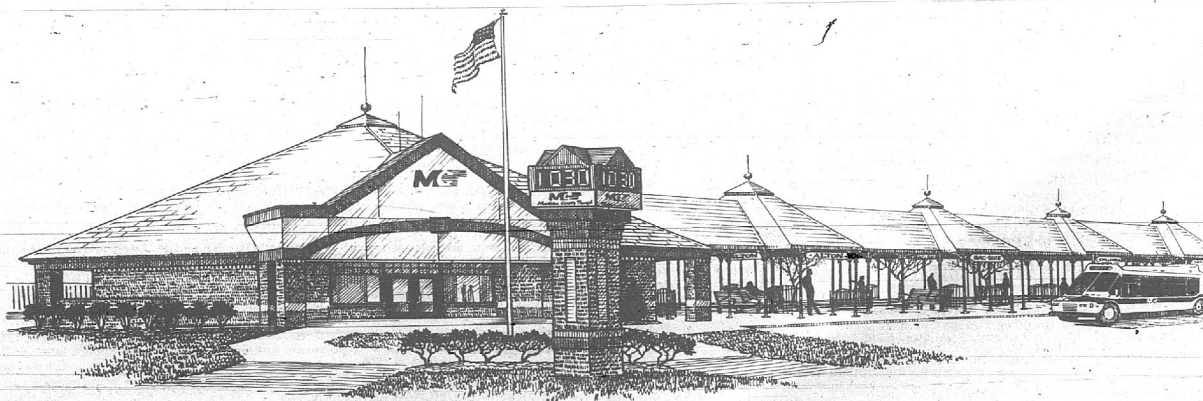


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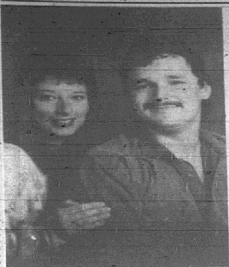
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White-Crider

Leslie White, daughter of Granite and Dorothy White of Granite City, and Randall Crider, son of Russell and Donna Crider of Granite City, have announced their engagement and forthcoming marriage.

White, of Granite City, is a 1986 graduate of Granite City High School. She is employed by St. Elizabeth Medical Center of Granite City in the laboratory. Her fiancé is a 1979 graduate of Granite City High School and is employed by Prairie Farms Dairy in Granite City as a warehouse worker.

The couple is planning a Sept. 11, 1993, wedding at First Presbyterian Church in Granite City.

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Haney-Thomas

Darla Haney, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Haney of Granite City, and Tony Thomas, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gale Thomas of Batesville, Ark., have announced their engagement and forthcoming marriage.

Haney, of Granite City, is a 1988 graduate of Granite City High School and also attended two years of Bible college.

Her fiancé is a 1989 high school graduate and is now a senior at Free Gospel Bible Institute, where he will graduate in May 1993.

The couple is planning a June 11 wedding at Bethel Chapel.



Yolonda Stengel
and Randy Smith

Stengel-Smith

Yolonda K. Stengel, daughter of Raymond E. Stengel of Granite City, and Randy J. Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Smith of Granite City, have announced their engagement and forthcoming marriage.

Stengel, of Granite City, is a 1973 graduate of Venice High School and is enrolled at the American Institute of Banking pursuing an associate degree in banking and finance. She is employed by Mercantile Bank of St. Louis as a customer service specialist.

Her fiancé, a graduate of Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville, has a bachelor of science degree in mass communications. He is employed by Crown Cable of Maryville as programming and production manager.

The couple is planning an Oct. 2 wedding at Suburban Baptist Church.

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Amendment of Bank Charter

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Sports

Granite City kicker Dippel selects Western Illinois

Senior standout to join teammate Clark, area's top prospects

By Tony Panozzo
Staff writer

Western Illinois University soccer coach John MacKenzie recently completed his St. Louis-area recruiting with what could be his team's finest addition yet: Warrior senior Brent Dippel.

DIPPEL ROUNDS OUT a talented freshman class that could make an immediate impact on the Division I level next year at WIU, which is located in Macomb. Earlier this year, MacKenzie landed Granite City's Dan Clark, and the 23-year-old coach has also lined up a handful of blue-chip recruits from high schools in St. Louis and Springfield.

Dippel, who signed last week, was highly coveted by several

other Division I programs before suffering a broken foot last fall. He visited the University of Connecticut, and Southwest Missouri and Wright State also recruited him.

"We're delighted with Dippel," MacKenzie said. "He's an outstanding player and a great addition."

Dippel said the sudden availability of additional funding allowed him to recruit an extra player to go along with Paul Sorrentino of St. Louis, Bryan Bilingley of Aquinas-Mercy, Brook Rutherford of Hazelwood Central and Tim Nowack of Parkway West.

IN ADDITION, MacKenzie also has signed Brett Wilkening of Springfield. Wilkening scored 36 goals last fall.

The Leathernecks figure to have a strong offense and the potential for a solid backfield with Dippel and Clark. Rutherford and Nowack are goalkeepers.

"We've got an excellent class coming in," MacKenzie said. "The majority of the team will be young, but they will be strong for the next four years."

Dippel should step right in. He'll be one of our top players in that group."

Dippel visited the Western campus last month and came away impressed. He said he looks forward to attending college along with Clark.

He plans to study law enforcement.

"THE CAMPUS WAS real nice," Dippel said. "It's a real

good school. That's what made the choice for me right there."

"I didn't think I'd stay so close to home, but I'm pretty excited. I know a lot of people who go up there. They have a real good freshman class coming in."

Dippel is eager to return to the field after enduring a disappointing year as a senior. He and the Warriors had a state-tournament caliber team last fall, but his foot injury kept him sidelined most of the season.

WHEN HE RETURNED for Granite City's sectional games at Edwardsville, Dippel tried to play but his foot was not yet healed. Dippel wound up re-breaking his foot and spent most of the offseason waiting for it to

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Brent Dippel
Warrior senior

Stalled at SIUE Harshany, teammates held back by weather

By Tony Panozzo
Staff writer

Scheduled to make his third start of the year Tuesday against Lincoln College, Southern Illinois Edwardsville pitcher Brian Harshany was hoping to establish some consistency. Instead, he found himself sidelined once again along with the rest of his teammates.

The way the weather has been, it might be another month before Harshany pitches. It's been that kind of year for Harshany and his Cougar teammates, who have played just 15 out of more than 30 games on their schedule.

Harshany, a 1990 Granite City High School graduate and a transfer from Lewis and Clark Community College, is the Cougars' fifth starter and starting third baseman. He said it could be a while before he pitches again.

"IT'S HARD TO SAY, because every time it rains it messes the rotation up," said Harshany, who is 1-0 in two appearances. "The season is still early. We've played only 15 games when we should have played at least twice that many."

Like most area teams, the Cougars have endured numerous postponements and changes to the schedule. The season was supposed to begin March 6, but

the Cougars did not play their first game until two weeks later. At 7-8, SIUE is hoping to break out of its early-season slump. The schedule shows that it is supposed to be midway through the year, but coach Gary Collins wonders when the Cougars will be able to play again.

SIUE's game against Missouri-St. Louis on Wednesday also was postponed. In addition, games against Quincy this weekend have already been canceled.

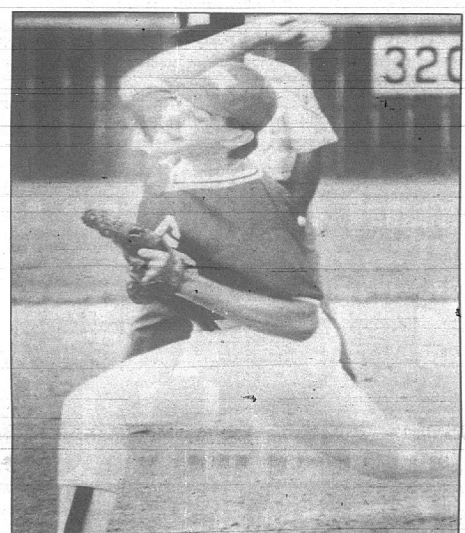
"THIS SEASON HAS been real difficult," Collins said. "It seems like we've lost a lot of games we shouldn't have. You can't use the weather as an excuse, but it has been difficult getting any rhythm going, especially with our pitchers."

Harshany's win came against Olivet Nazarene University, and his only other appearance came against McKendree College.

While Harshany has not been on the mound too much this season, his hitting has not suffered a bit. In 15 games, he is hitting .300, and he already has 14 runs batted in and four home runs.

Harshany, Collins said, has been a dependable hitter. He has been hitting fourth or fifth in the order.

"HE'S BEEN DOING pretty well," Collins said. "He's been (See HARSHANY, Page 2B)



SIUE pitcher/third baseman Brian Harshany has only a 1-0 record to show for this season. The Cougars, 7-8, have played half their schedule because of postponements relating to the weather.

Volleyball registration taking place

Registration forms for the 1993 Granite City volleyball clinics, which will be held in June, are now available at GCCHS.

Lady Warrior volleyball coach Cindy Gagich and assistant Chris Byer will conduct the junior high clinic.

The high school clinic will again be directed by Julie Paska, the NCAA Division I All-American who served as the head coach at Illinois Wesleyan and as an assistant at both Northern Illinois and Illinois State. Paska, who played at Illinois State, is entering her third year with the clinic.

There will be four days of sessions for the high school clinic, beginning Wednesday, June 23 and ending Saturday, June 26. The times are 9 a.m.-noon and 1:30 p.m.-4 p.m. the first three days and then 9:30 a.m.-noon Saturday, when tournament play will be held.

The high school clinic is for incoming freshmen through current juniors.

Paska will be assisted by current or former Division I athletes. The cost of the clinic is \$70 per person, and checks should be made payable to Gagich.

The junior high clinic will con-

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Schedule

Thursday, April 15
THACK: Granite City girls at Tiger Relays, 4:15 p.m.
BASEBALL: Belleville West at Granite City, 4:15 p.m.
SOFTBALL: Granite City at Belleville, 4:15 p.m.
GIRLS SOCCER: Alton at Granite City, 4:30 p.m.
Friday, April 16
BASEBALL: Cahokia at Granite City, 4:15 p.m.
Saturday, April 17
THACK: Madison boys girls at Red Bud Relays, 9 a.m.
Granite City boys at Centralia Relays, 11:30 a.m.
BASEBALL: Granite City at Jerseyville, 11:30 a.m.
Monday, April 19
THACK: Madisonville, Highland, Mascoutah at Collinsville, 7:30 a.m.
GIRLS SOCCER: McCheser North at Granite City, 9 a.m.
Tuesday, April 20
TENNIS: Granite City at East St. Louis, 4 p.m.
BASEBALL: East St. Louis at Granite City, 4:15 p.m.
SOFTBALL: Granite City at East St. Louis, 4:15 p.m.
THACK: Granite City girls vs. Belleville East, Alton, Cahokia at Belleville East, 4:30 p.m.
Wednesday, April 21
TENNIS: Belleville West at Granite City, 4 p.m.
THACK: Granite City boys at Tiger Relays, Collinsville, 5 p.m.

Sports briefs

Lung association golf card now available

Golfers can play close to \$200 in golf in the Metro East area this year for \$30 while helping to fight lung disease with the American Lung Association of Illinois 1993 Golf Privilege Card. Brochures are now available at Granite City Carpet City.

The card enables a golfer to play 18 holes at each of the courses listed on the card, including the Legacy, the Orchards, Locust Hills and Belk Park. Over 130 courses throughout the state are participating. All proceeds benefit the American Lung Association's research and educational programs. For more information, call 1-800-788-5884 or visit Granite City Carpet City.

QCSA filling out women's team

The Quad-Cities Soccer Association needs a few more players to fill a women's 27-over team. League play begins Sunday. For more information, call Tom Cholewick at 931-4601.

Players' on-field habits not for the squeamish

If you watched the start of the 1993 major league baseball season for the St. Louis Cardinals as closely as I did, you had to be disgusted.

No, I'm not referring to the score, or the Redbird baserunning, or their swinging at first pitches in the last inning. But to a couple of San Francisco players whose smokeless tobacco habits are gut wrenching.

Fortunately, I do not recall



Art Voellinger
getting an opportunity to see shortstop Royce Clayton or relief

pitcher Mike Jackson spit, but I'm sure through the magic of television that occasion will arrive.

For Clayton the delight comes in chewing tobacco which he carries in a cheek of his mouth in such large fashion that if he were to swallow his plug, it's possible his throat would eject it immediately because of the abnormal size of the wad.

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SPORTS

Hall of Fame set to open; tickets on sale

The Granite City Sports Hall of Fame will be open to the public May 8-9 from 2-5 p.m. both days. Admission is free.

"It's our big weekend of the year," said Les Thompson, chairman of the Hall of Fame committee. "It's part of our big weekend celebration in connection with the annual banquet and induction of nine individuals, the 1933 Verhovay baseball team and the 1972 Warrior soccer team."

After the banquet Friday night, the Hall of Fame's annual golf scramble will take place Saturday.

Tickets for the banquet, which will be held at St. Gregory's Armenian Hall, are \$15 for adults and \$5 for children under 12. They can be obtained by calling 452-7122.

This year's Hall of Fame class includes nine individuals: Paul Bogosian, Richard Deygman, Don Harmon, Don Harris, Ellwood C. "Iggy" Holtzschner, Paul Kacera, Gene Logas, Jack Mawdsley and Bob Page.

Legacy to hold scramble tourney

The Legacy will be holding a two-person scramble tournament for the first time on Saturday, May 1.

The tournament will begin at 7:30 a.m. The 36-hole fee is \$50 per team, and it includes greens fees and prize money. The deadline for entry is April 29. For more information, call 691-4663.

Tickets available for Busch game

Tickets are being sold for the Granite City High School baseball team's game against Mount Vernon at Busch Stadium on May 30.

The game will start at 9 a.m., and the gates will open at 9:30 a.m. Tickets are \$9.50, and they cover the cost of a game to follow between the Cardinals and the San Diego Padres.

To obtain tickets, call Granite City athletic director Greg Patton at 451-5886.

Park board approves age requirements

The Granite City Park District Board of Commissioners recently enacted a new rule pertaining to the age requirements for boys in the Atom I baseball program and girls in the Atom ponytail softball program.

The park board approved a rule recommended by the baseball/ponytail softball rules and protest committee. The reason for the change is to allow boys and girls play against others who are in the same grade of school. The old rule required children to be born in the same calendar year, which conflicts with the age requirements used in school districts.

For the year 1994, all boys and girls who start playing organized ball in the district must be born between Sept. 1, 1985, and Aug. 31, 1986.

The same rule will apply for 1995, this season, with an exception. The rule for this year shall read: Boys and girls born between Sept. 1, 1984, and Dec. 31, 1985, shall be able to participate in the Atom I Division of baseball and ponytail softball.

The rule covers the children born in September through December who would be excluded if the new rule were to go into effect this year. Those born in that period will not be allowed to move down next year, but will continue to play in the division in which they began.

Motion meeting slated Saturday

The St. Louis Motion semi-pro football team will be holding a meeting Saturday for anyone interested in playing this year.

The meeting will be held from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. at the Village of Bel-Ridge Community Center, 8783 Natural Bridge. The community center is next to the Bel-Ridge Village Hall.

Atom T-Ball team in need of players

A Granite City Park District Atom T-Ball team is in need of players born between September 1984 and December 1985. For more information, call Beverly Meyer at 451-5739.

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After transferring from Lewis and Clark Community College, Brian Harshany has hit .300 with four homers and four RBI this season at Southern Illinois Edwardsville. He is starting at third base for the Cougars.

Granite City Hall of Fame announces calendar winners

The Granite City Sports Hall of Fame has announced its calendar winners for the month of April.

Granite City residents who won were Lee Adams, Dave Knollman, Chas. Meizer, Ed Lorton, Keith Gehling, Eric Robertson, Luella Logas, Monte Kessler, Shirley Amos, Bob Weiss,

Boyd McCommis, Barbara J. Leach, Mike Mejaski, Ed Coulson, Mary Scarborough, C. Jug Harrison, Tom Candler, Chas. Logas Jr. and Carol Werner.

There were two out-of-state winners, Glen Rice of Lakeside, Calif., and G. Mickus of Converse, Texas.

Other winners were Vas Gray,

ille of Madison; Elaine Wessels of Belleville; Pat Shea of Collinsville; Diane Caraway of Millstadt; Donna Embrey of Edwardsville; Kendra Walters of Alton; Sandy Ellis of Collinsville; Robert Niebling of Edwardsville; and W. James of Venice.

•Harshany

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of our better hitters. "He's certainly hit up to my expectations. I think he's doing a little better than what I expected."

"It's going pretty good, although I could be hitting a little better," Harshany said. "It's coming around."

WHEN SIUE PLAYED Southern Indiana earlier this month, Harshany belted a grand slam. The Cougars, however, lost the game 14-8.

Harshany hit the homer in the first inning, and he connected early in the count.

"It was something else," Harshany said. "I wanted to hit the ball hard, and I guessed right on the second pitch."

Harshany is known for his power. At Lewis and Clark last year, he hit six homers and batted .335.

He also had a strong year for the Granite City Mon-Clair Baseball League team, earning a spot on the league's all-star team. His pitching and hitting helped the Eagles win the playoff title.

Now a college junior, Harshany said playing at Lewis and Clark offered him a chance to adjust to college baseball.

"Lewis and Clark really got me a good start," Harshany said. "Collins said we might have taken me out of high school, but he didn't have an opening at third base at the time."

"I'M JUST TRYING to improve each year, hit the ball harder and become a better fielder."

"I'm happy to have him," Collins said. "He's a good player."

"Lewis and Clark really got me a good start. I'm just trying to improve each year, hit the ball harder and become a better fielder."

— Brian Harshany
SIUE junior

Warrior baseball coach Bob Stegemeyer said he thought Harshany had college potential as a senior in high school three years ago.

"He's always been a good hitter and a good third baseman," Stegemeyer said. "Collins was really high on him. He's worked awfully hard, and he's a high-class kid."

HARSHANY-HOPES SIUE can repeat what it did last season. The Cougars started out slow, going 8-10, before winning 19 of 30 games.

Harshany has seen players from Granite City excel at SIUE before — including Darin Hendrickson, the Cougars' top pitcher in 1991.

That year, SIUE placed fifth at the NCAA Division II College World Series.

"I really enjoy SIU," Harshany said. "We have a real good reputation around the nation. You know you're going to get a look."

"This is basically a new team. Everybody has to get used to each other. Everything's going to start clicking if we can just get some games in."

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The 1993 class of inductees to the National High School Hall of Fame, which will be inducted June 28 in Nashville, Tenn., at the National Federation's 74th annual meeting.

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—John Moore, St. Louis Rite-of-Passage wrestling coach.
—Mike Durbin, former executive director of National Federation.
—Jackie Robinson, baseball Hall of Famer for the Brooklyn Dodgers.
—Dallas Long, former Olympic shot put champion.
—Geri Grigsby, girls basketball player from McComb, Ky.
—Dwight Chuck, Lexington (Iowa) baseball coach.
—Ted Federici, Clay (Ore.) football coach.
—Vi Goodnow, South Deerfield (Mass.) girls basketball coach.
—William Kean, football/basketball coach at Louisville (Ky.) Central.
—Jack Brown, four-sport official from South Dakota.
—W.D. "Shorty" Lawson, Abilene (Tex.) football/basketball coach.
—Bernie Saggau, executive director of the Iowa high school association.

Chiefs baseball team looking for players

Anyone interested in playing for the Granite City Chiefs men's baseball team should call Dennis Gurkin before 9 p.m. at 677-1385.

•Art

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For Jackson, comfort comes in the form of a huge blob of snuff that he carries behind his lower lip in such quantity his mouth appears to have a bulge equal to three sets of the lower half of a mouth piece.

Disgust? It's more stupidity when you realize using smokeless tobacco in such fashion is like playing with a cancer time bomb.

"It's a killer," said C. Tracy Orleans, director of tobacco control research at the Fox Chase Cancer Center near Philadelphia.

"Once you're hooked on that stuff, it's hard to get off," said Orleans, who pointed to a disturbing, growing trend of young athletes to use the drug.

According to a study by Michigan State University, there was a 40 percent increase in the use of smokeless tobacco among student-athletes at NCAA member institutions. Of the NCAA baseball players polled, 57 percent admitted to using smokeless tobacco.

So why am I so concerned about the likes of Clayton and



Brent Dippel has recovered fully from the broken foot he suffered last fall.

Jackson? Despite what a Hall of Famer like Bob Gibson might say about ballplayers not being heroes, I cannot change the influence of TV any more than I can change the facts of a recent U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

That survey revealed nearly one in five high school males admitting to use of spitting tobacco in 1990 and 1991 in addition to indicating that the typical starting use for smokeless tobacco is 11 and 12 years old.

Studies also show that a tin can of one major brand of tobacco is the equivalent of about four packs of the average cigarette in regards to its nicotine.

If you've seen photos of lip and gum cancer victims as I have, you'd cringe also.

Fortunately, on the level of sports where I spend much of my time — the high school level

athletes are forbidden to use tobacco of any kind. Too bad the same cannot be said of the collegiate and professional levels where if there are rules, they are lasting about as long as spit into the wind.

FOOTNOTE: A recent column noted Indiana having the lead in seating capacity for high school

gymnasiums — causing me to report on another survey in another sport.

In golf, guess which state has the birthplace lead for PGA Tour members? The answer is California with 33 followed by Texas (16), North Carolina (15), New York (11) and Illinois and Missouri with 10 each.

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•Dippel

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heal. "It was hard sitting out and watching from the bench," Dippel said. "I wanted to play real bad, but I just made it worse."

Dippel said during that time, Connecticut scouted him in a club soccer game.

"They came and watched me play, but I was in terrible shape," Dippel said. "I couldn't do much. They didn't know if it would hurt me this year."

Dippel said his foot feels fine now, and he is ready to get back into action. He has already pitched for the Warrior baseball team this spring.

MacKenzie had no hesitation in recruiting Dippel despite the injury.

"I don't think it's going to be a problem," MacKenzie said. "He's a little out of shape right now, but it's just a matter of him getting out and doing some running."

"I really feel he's an excellent player. He has a real nose for the ball and the net. He's a tough, hard player."

MacKenzie is used to coaching players from Granite City. Other

players from GCHS to play at Western include Scott Blason, Herb Heston and Barry Grote. "We've probably had more Granite City kids than most other schools," MacKenzie said.

Warrior coach Gene Baker hopes to see Dippel continue the tradition and have a strong career at Western. He said Dippel certainly has the potential.

"He's an awesome physical talent," Baker said. "If he matures, I think he could be one of the best players in that program's history."

"When his work ethic is up, he can excel. He's been a very fine young man for me."

Dippel's injury last fall came at an unfortunate time for the Warriors, who made it to the sectional title game before losing to eventual state champ Collinsville.

Baker said Dippel's injury also cost him several individual honors. Dippel was a three-year starter who played on Granite City's 1990 state championship team.

"It was a really tough injury to take," Baker said. "Had he not been injured, he'd have been an all-star."

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Ashley Kuehnel wins pageant

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Ashley took top honor and was crowned 6-6 Little Supreme Queen. She also was crowned Queen of Photogenic Sportswear, Talent, Best Dressed, Best Model, and Most Beautiful. She also was crowned Miss Southern Belle in the Civil War Theme.

Ashley is in the 1st grade at Frohart School. She is a student of Rhonda Vest Nolan for modeling and Judy Barmen for singing.

Ashley will go to Chicago this week to compete for the Illinois State Pageant.

Ashley is the daughter of Sheri Kuehnel and sister of Erica Kuehnel, who also competes. She is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tom McCre and Mr. and Mrs. Gene Kuehnel.



Ashley Kuehnel

Ashley was sponsored by Runway Lounge in Bethalto and her mother.

Births

Joshua Jeffrey Johnson
Gregory Johnson and Nicole Chapman of National City announce the birth of their first child, a boy, Joshua Jeffrey Johnson, 8 pounds, 13 ounces, at 8:01 p.m. on Jan. 6, 1993, at Jewish Hospital.

Maternal grandparents are Susan Chapman of Phoenix, Ariz. and Jeffrey Chapman of St. Louis. Paternal grandparents are James and Rebecca Johnson of Granite City.

Robert G. Kelley III
Robert and Julie Kelley of Pontoon Beach announce the birth of their first child, a boy,

Robert G. III, 9 pounds, 2 ounces, at 9:47 p.m. on March 11, 1993, at St. John's Mercy Medical Center.

Maternal grandmother is Anita Renter of Rockford, Ill. Paternal grandparents are Robert and Patricia Kelley of Glen Carbon.

Jessica Carroll
June and Karen Carroll of Granite City are parents of a girl born at 10:30 p.m. Thursday, March 4, 1993, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center.

The infant has been named Jessica Ann Carroll; she weighed 5 pounds and 15 ounces.

The mother is the former June Weber. Maternal grandparents are Ken and Loretta Weber of Edwardsville.

Paternal grandparents are Eugene and Carolyn Carroll of Granite City.

Tyler White
Angela and Jimmie H. White Jr. of Granite City are parents of a boy born at 1:30 a.m. Saturday, March 6, 1993, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center.

The infant has been named Tyler Boyd White; he weighed 5 pounds and 13 ounces.

Maternal grandmother is Earlene Riggins of Granite City. Paternal grandparents are Jimmie H. White Sr. of Piggott, Ark. and Arlene White of Granite City.

Tyler joins his brother, Zachary Ian, 7.

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Briefly

Job fair at GCC

A job fair will be held at Belleville Area College's Granite City Campus, 4950 Maryville Road, from 9 a.m. to noon on Friday. Approximately 40 representatives from retail establishments, investment firms, marketing organizations, service agencies, health related employers, military service recruiters and others will be available to discuss job opportunities.

The job fair is open to the public," said Elaine Hempler, coordinator from BAC's career placement center. "This is a day to dress for success and bring your resume."

For information call the Belleville Campus at 235-2700, ext. 562 or the Granite City Campus at 931-0600, ext. 634.

Students to hop for leukemia

Students at Lake School will shake floors, rattle windows, and "Hop for Leukemia" on April 16. They'll be jumping up and down to raise money for local leukemia patients and research to benefit the Leukemia Society of America.

"Hop for Leukemia" involves students hoping for a two-minute time period. Relatives and friends of the student sponsor the child for any amount of donation per hop completed in the designated time.

Prizes will be awarded to eligible students and their school based on the amount of funds raised for their hard work and dedication to the "Hop."

Service club offers scholarships

The Granite City Junior Service Club, a not-for-profit organization serving the Granite City community, is offering a \$300 scholarship to interested Granite City residents currently enrolled at a local college or trade school, or to former or current Granite City High School students planning to continue their education by commuting to such schools.

This money will be distributed to the school of their choice in two equal semester payments of \$150. Current Granite City High School students should pick up their applications at the guidance office at the high school, and persons out of high school may request an application by mail by sending a self-addressed stamped envelope to the Granite City Junior Service Club Scholarship Committee, at 2388 Boyle Ave., Granite City, Ill. 62040.

All completed applications must be returned by mail to the aforementioned address, no later than April 30.



Connie Balen, Beta Eta chapter president, with state Rep. Jay Hoffman.

Hoffman addresses Beta Eta chapter

The Jan. 30 meeting of the Beta Eta Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma Society International was held at the Collinsville Memorial Library.

President Connie Balen of Granite City conducted the business portion of the meeting. Thilena French of Collinsville introduced District 112 Rep. Jay Hoffman. Hoffman addressed the group on pending legislative issues — school finance, property tax caps, teacher certifica-

tion, nursing home tax, five and five teacher retirement, Illinois Goal Assessment testing, and school violence.

Lunch was served following the meeting.

Dayton U. names dean's list

The University of Dayton, Dayton, Ohio, has named more than 1,450 students to the dean's list for the winter semester of the 1992-93 academic year.

Local students include:

BELLEVILLE: Jennifer Vorpi.

GRANITE CITY: Kevin Kasproovich.

NEW BADEN: Jennifer Pannier.

To be named to the dean's list, a student must achieve a superior academic record, which is a grade-point average of 3.5 or higher.

SIUE dean receives service award

Stephen L. Hansen, associate dean of the Graduate School at Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville, is the recipient of the Distinguished Service Award for 1993 from the National Council of University Research Administrators (NCURA), Region IV.

The award was presented to Hansen at the regional business meeting and luncheon in Cleveland April 15.

"This award is the highest recognition by one's peers with Region IV for outstanding and continuing service in the promotion of excellence and increased knowledge within the field of research administration," said Carolyn A. Cross of the University of Kansas, chairperson of the awards committee for Region IV.

To be considered for the award, individuals must have a minimum of five years of experience in the research administration field, served either as a regional or national officer or as a committee chair at the national level, published articles in the field, presented workshops on some aspects of research administration, and provided consultation for institutions.

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THE LAW AND YOU

By RICK REED
Attorney At Law

Sometimes individuals contact this office and indicate that they fell on a slippery floor at a business establishment. People who have been injured in this situation wonder whether they can recover damages from the store owner based on negligence.

Various Illinois cases have decided that the mere waxing or oiling of a floor does not necessarily constitute negligence on the part of the business owner. In order to demonstrate negligence, the evidence will have to show that the waxing or oiling was not properly performed. Illinois Courts, in discussing the waxing or treating of floors by business establishments, have decided that a store owner may treat his floor with wax or oil in the customary manner without incurring liability unless he is shown to be negligent in the materials he used or the manner of applying the substances.

What this means is that testimony that a floor is slick, slippery, or polished is insufficient in and of itself to establish negligence. A recent case involved an individual who fell at a race track and injured his back. The plaintiff in this case fell on a freshly painted floor that had a "high gloss" finish. Apparently the property

owner had applied a fresh coat of paint to a concrete floor, and the injured party testified that he felt as if he had stepped on a "sheet of glass or an ice rink."

At the close of the plaintiff's case, the trial court granted a motion for directed verdict. This meant that the plaintiff was not even able to get his case to the jury. The Appellate Court held that this action was proper since the only evidence concerning the issue of the defendant's negligence was the testimony that the floor was slippery. The plaintiff in this case presented no evidence that the type of paint used was improper or that the race track was negligent in its selection of paint.

What evidence will be required to establish negligence with regard to a fall on a slippery floor? One Appellate Court in a 1987 case listed some positive acts of a defendant which might give rise to negligence in a case involving a slick floor. The Court noted that using an excessive amount of wax, applying it unevenly, or treating part of a floor with wax and leaving another part untreated would be acts which could be construed as negligence.

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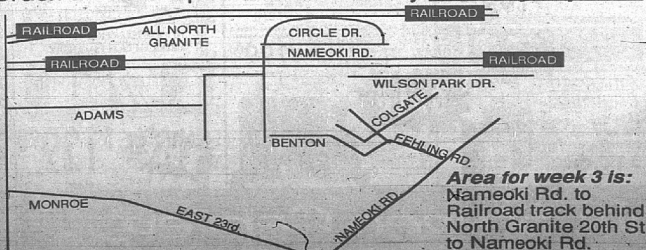
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Ethics in business

Consumers, investors focus on ethics

By Roger McGrath
Correspondent

Consumers committed to "ethical" shopping quite literally put their money where their mouths are.

Ditto for ethical investors whose portfolios include only the stocks of companies that are environmentally responsible, have a good record of hiring and promoting women and minorities, etc.

Which issue is most important varies from consumer to consumer and investor to investor.

"It is your principles that matter" and that drive one's economic decisions, says Douglas Calnan, an investment broker with A.G. Edwards & Sons Inc. in Hingham, Mass.

The ranks of "ethical" Americans are growing. Their stock holdings approached \$700 billion last year, up from \$40 billion in 1984. A market research firm estimates that 53 percent of us are environmentally aware, that is, we recycle and buy products that are recyclable or made of recycled materials.

Moreover, 28 percent of us are willing to spend \$40 or more a month for environmentally aware goods and services.

Consider the retail operation at The Body Shop at the St. Louis Galleria. Customers don't bring in an empty shampoo (or moisturizer, etc.) bottle because they get a 25-cent discount, says manager Cheryl Sees.

"The people who participate in our refill service do it to reduce waste," Sees says. "They want to impact the environment as little as possible."

In short, ethical shoppers vote with their feet and their dollars, supporting the products and stocks that stand for the same principles they believe in. Calnan's wife, for example, works for the American Cancer Society, so she's opposed to investments in cigarette companies.

Such ethical judgments can have unforeseen

consequences. Anheuser-Busch Cos. regularly ranks high in surveys of socially responsible corporations. But the brewer often is on investors' "never-buy" list because it produces alcoholic beverages.

Yet, AB stock might be held by an ethical investor who doesn't consider beer a "sin."

Such individual decisions are at the core of the ethical movement. The Council on Economic Priorities' best-selling book, "Shopping for a Better World," ranks U.S. corporations on a battery of social issues ranging from employee relations to animal welfare. The consumer decides which issues are important to him or her and then acts accordingly, says Sheila Ratner, spokeswoman for the New York City group.

The council recently published "Students Shopping for a Better World," targeted at teenagers and the \$82 billion they spend yearly. The book grades the social record of companies such as Sony, Nike, The Gap and others that depend on teenage consumers.

Armed with this knowledge, young people can learn how to exercise their consumer clout to protect the environment, promote equal employment opportunities for women and minorities, prevent cruelty to animals and reward corporations that act responsibly," says Alice Tepper Marlin, council executive director.

Being ethical means "paying more attention to what you're doing with your money," Calnan says. For example, he tells clients who are considering buying U.S. Treasury bonds to look at the certificates of deposit offered by a minority-owned bank or at the bonds issued by quasi-government agencies.

The interest paid on these alternative investments is similar to government bonds, but they also do good — the minority bank invests in minority neighborhoods and businesses, Ginie Mae bonds help first-time home buyers and Solite Mae bonds provide loans for college students.

Retirement incentives don't affect Social Security earnings

Q. I will retire this year and apply for my Social Security. I'll receive \$25,000 from my employer as an incentive to retire. I need to know whether this will count against the Social Security earnings limits?

A. No. Retirement incentives, pensions and other payments made on account of retirement do not count as earnings for the Social Security earnings limits (also known as the "retirement test"). Only your 1993 wages and self-employment income will count against you in 1993. Call Social Security at 1-800-772-1213 and ask for a free copy of the fact sheet, "How Work Affects Your Social Security Benefits," for more details about the retirement test.

Q. My mother, 70, gets a small widow's benefit from Social Security but is having a hard time financially since my father's death. Can she get Social Security and SSI at the same time? What are the income limits?

A. Supplemental Security Income (SSI) is a federal assistance program that guarantees a minimum monthly income for people who are disabled or over 65. And, yes, people can get Social Security and Supplemental Security Income (SSI) at the same time if their Social Security checks are small enough.

If your mother's Social Security check plus her other income is less than \$454 per month, she might be eligible for a small SSI check, too.

In addition to that limit on income, SSI also has a resource limit: Individuals applying for SSI can't have more than \$2,000 in cash, savings and other assets that can be converted into cash. Usually, the house your mother lives in, her car, household goods, burial plots and plans will not count against the SSI resource limits.

Q. When I applied for my Social Security, I was asked for a copy of my 1992 W-2 form. Why?

A. Earnings for 1992 are not yet posted to Social Security's records. When you applied for benefits and presented your W-2, Social Security added your 1992 earnings into the computation of your benefit, making sure that you got credit for all your earnings and got the correct benefit amount.

If you were born in 1929 or later, your Social Security benefit is based on the average of your 35 highest years of earnings. If

you were born before 1929, take the last two digits of your year of birth and add six to determine the number of years of earnings used to compute your benefit. (For example, if you were born in 1921, your Social Security retirement benefit is based on your 27 highest years of earnings.)

This month in Social Security history: The 1983 Amendments to the Social Security Act were signed by President Ronald Reagan on April 20, 1983. The amendments increased Social Security payroll taxes from 6.7 percent of payroll to 7.65 percent from 1983 to 1990.

Several other important changes in that law, many of which are still unknown or ignored by the general public: a gradual increase in Social Security's normal retirement age from 65 to 67, beginning in the year 2000; income taxation of up to one-half of benefits; and Social Security coverage of Congress, the President, Vice President and federal judges.

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Art helps teach math fundamentals

By Jane Cosby
Correspondent

Some present-day mathematicians think it is significant that the first person to correctly describe the moon's surface had been trained as an artist.

Galleo Galilei, who was the most prominent scientist and mathematician of the 17th century, was looking through his telescope with "educated eyes," say these modern mathematicians.

Connections should be forged between art and science in the elementary and secondary school curriculum so children today will be looking at the world with an "educated eye," say these same mathematicians. In "On the Shoulders of Giants: New Approaches to Numeracy" (National Research Council, \$17.95), this collection of essays on five areas of mathematical thought explores the directions mathematics education should take in the future.

Some of the recommendations may be surprising. Artistic training and activities can play a part in developing necessary skills in several mathematical disciplines, say these mathematicians.

Here are examples of the kinds of recommended activities that connect art and mathematics.

• **Drawing:** Learning to draw teaches students about shapes, shadows, cross sections, projections and generally enhances the process of visualization. This process is an important part of mathematics and essential to developing higher-level mathematics skills.

• **All children should learn to draw,** say two of the mathematicians in the book. In addition, children should be trained in technical drawing, map-making and using computer graphics, says Marjorie Senechal, author of the essay on shapes.

• **Building kaleidoscopes:** This can help teach about mirror geometry and principles of symmetry and similarity.

• **Paper folding:** These activities can help students learn about patterns, geometric constructions and some aspects of number theory.

• **Quilt-making and mosaics:** These activities can help teach measurement, the analysis and construction of shapes. This can teach about principles of hexagonal symmetry.

• **Building models:** This is an important activity in several areas of mathematics. Building constructions of shapes can teach about measurement, dimensions and configurations of space.

One of the main points made by the authors about the study of mathematics is that it must be alive with action. Children should be doing, say the authors. After they have played with objects to learn about volume, similarity, size, dimension and shape, children will be ready for scientific investigations and more formal and precise study of mathematics later in their schooling.

This kind of exploration and play happens in art class.

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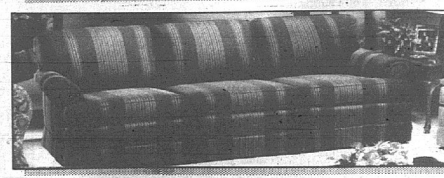
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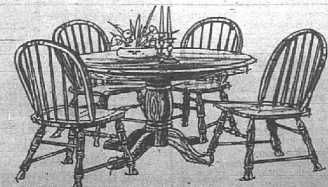
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Movie capsules

By Harry Hamm
Correspondent

Aladdin

Another animated triumph for Disney as the classic story of "Aladdin" is given exciting, adventurous life. Robin Williams steals the film as the voice of the Genie. Great for all members of the family. See it once, and you'll want to see it again. (***)

Rated G. Running time: 95 minutes. Crestwood, Jamestown, Keller, Northwest Plaza, Quad, Regency.

Alive

A so-so film adaptation of a book about some rugged players who survive a 10-week ordeal in the Andes Mountains after their plane crashes by resorting to cannibalism. Discreet, but too high-minded and poorly scripted. (**)

Rated R (intense plane crash, adult language and scenes of cannibalism). Running time: 125 minutes. Cross Keys, Village.

Army of Darkness

Not reviewed. Lindbergh.

The Bodyguard

Whitney Houston and Kevin Costner join forces in this so-so romantic thriller about an ex-convict service agent hired to protect a pop singer. Predictable but slick. Not very realistic. Lots of music. (***)

Rated R (language and violence). Running time: 129 minutes. Avalon, Creve Coeur, Cross Keys, Lindbergh, Nameoki, Ritz, St. Andrews, 66 Park Drive-In, Village.

Born Yesterday

A delightful remake of the 1951 film classic of the same title. Melanie Griffith is plodding and colorless as a showgirl trying to gain a little respect in the nation's capital. If the story line interests you, rent the original instead. (**)

Rated PG (language and very mild violence). Running time: 100 minutes. Alton, Chesterfield, Crestwood, Eureka, Galleria, Halls Ferry, Keller, Northwest Square, Quad, St. Charles, Westroads.

CB4

Not reviewed. Esquire, Halls Ferry, Northwest Plaza, Plaza Twin, Union Station.

Cop and a Half

A better-than-average story of a kid and cop who become buddies, starring Burt Reynolds as a grumpy police detective and talented newcomer Norman D. Golden II as a grade-school student with an obsession to become a cop. (***)

Rated PG (some mild violence). Running time: 97 minutes. Chesterfield, Des Peres, Eastgate, Eureka, Galleria, Halls Ferry, Kenrick, Mid Rivers, Northwest Square, Plaza Twin, Ronnie's, St. Charles, St. Clair, Union Station, Westroads.

The Crush

Not reviewed. Chesterfield, Eastgate, Galleria, Halls Ferry, Kenrick, Northwest Square, Ronnie's, St. Charles, St. Clair, Union Station.

Crying Game

A powerful tale of terrorism, love and friendship set amid the political turmoil and violence in Northern Ireland and England. One of the best pictures of 1992. (***)

Rated R (violence, adult language and sexual encounters). Running time: 113 minutes. Clarkston, Crestwood, Esquire, Halls Ferry, Keller, St. Charles, Westport.

Falling Down

A timely story of an unemployed, white-collar defense worker who goes violently berserk as he watches his property and personal life crumble. Excellent work by Michael Douglas as the worker, known as D-Fense, and Robert Duvall as a cop trying to stem D-Fense's rage. (***)

Rated R (violence and adult language). Running time: 112 minutes. Halls Ferry, Kenrick, Northwest Square, Ronnie's, St. Charles, St. Clair, Westroads.

A Far Off Place

A kids' adventure story set in Africa with vivid, bloody scenes of elephants being slaughtered and poachers. Not exactly kid stuff. (***)

Rated PG (mild profanity and violence). Running time: 104 minutes. Roxana, Westroads.

A Few Good Men

A tense and exciting military courtroom thriller starring Tom Cruise and Jack Nicholson. Look for Nicholson to earn another Oscar nomination for his role of a dedicated officer defending one of his branch's oldest unwritten codes of conduct. (***)

Rated R (adult language). Running time: 98 minutes. Crestwood, Keller, Northwest Square, Regency.

Fire in the Sky

Not reviewed. Keller, Mid Rivers, Northwest Square, St. Charles.

Forever Young

Mel Gibson headlines this story about love, a coma and how fast-freezing yourself can be dangerous to your love life. Boring and silly. (***)

Rated PG (some mild adult language). Running time: 104 minutes. Lindbergh, Village.

Groundhog Day

Bill Murray gets lots of laughs in a wacky story of an egotistical television weatherman who gets his comeuppance by having to relive Groundhog Day over and over again. Science fiction meets self-help psychology. (***)

Rated PG (sexual references). Running time: 101 minutes. Crestwood, Esquire, Jamestown, Keller, Northwest Square, St. Charles, St. Clair, 66 Park Drive-In, Westroads.

Hear No Evil

Not reviewed. Crestwood, Northwest Plaza, Regency, Westroads.

Home Alone 2: Lost in New York

A predictable rebash of the original plot line. This time, Macaulay Culkin is left stranded in New York where he meets up with the infamous "Wet Bandits," who are bent on revenge. Very derivative of the first movie. The 12 and under crowd will love it. (***)

Rated PG (mild violence). Running time: 118 minutes. Avalon, Lindbergh, Village.

Homeward Bound: The Incredible Journey

Disney updates its feature of a similar title from 1963 about two dogs and a cat trying to find their way back home. Splendid family fun and adventure. Very well written and edited. Michael J. Fox, Don Ameche and Sally Field are the voices of the pets. (***)

Rated G. Running time: 85 minutes. Jamestown, Nameoki, Northwest Plaza.

The Adventures of Huck Finn. Not reviewed. Chesterfield, Des Peres, Eastgate, Esquire, Eureka, Halls Ferry, Kenrick, Mid Rivers, Northwest Square, Quad, Ronnie's, St. Clair.

Howards End

Not reviewed. Westport.

Indecent Proposal

The ever-engaging Robert Redford returns to the big screen as a billionaire businessman who offers a couple in need a million dollars if he can sleep with the wife. A moral fable, slight in script but well-packaged and fast-moving. (***)

Rated R (adult language, sexual suggestiveness and nudity). Running time: 118 minutes. Clarkston, Des Peres, Eastgate, Esquire, Eureka, Halls Ferry, Kenrick, Mid Rivers, Northwest Square, Quad, Ronnie's, St. Clair, Union Station.

Indochine

Not reviewed. Shady Oak.

Jack the Bear

A lone bear-junker with Danny DeVito playing a widowed television personality trying to raise his two young boys on his own. Melodramatic and artificial. (**)

Rated PG-13 (adult language and dramatic content). Running time: 98 minutes. Alton, Clarkston, Galleria, Halls Ferry, Kenrick, Northwest Square, Quad, Ronnie's, St. Charles, Union Station.

"IRON LUNG EVANGELIST"

A kids' adventure story set in Africa with vivid, bloody scenes of elephants being slaughtered and poachers. Not exactly kid stuff. (***)

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Burt Reynolds stars in familiar 'Cop' tale

By Harry Hamm
Correspondent

Burt Reynolds' new comedy film, "Cop and a Half," is slightly more entertaining than I thought it would be, thanks in part to good casting and knowledgeable direction from Henry ("The Fonz") Winkler.

However, its predictability and lack of freshness impair it overall.

Reynolds plays Nick McKenna, a grumpy, middle-aged police detective in Tampa, Fla., who does not enjoy being around kids.

It's a notion that rings as false as Reynolds' prominent hairpiece.

Norman D. Golden II plays 8-year-old Devon Butler, a grade-school student with an obsession to become a cop. The kid's locker has a secret compartment filled with toy pistols, toy handcuffs and other kids' cop paraphernalia. Out on the playground, Normon's exclamations "Freeze!" and "You're dead meat now."

When Normon inadvertently witnesses a murder in a warehouse, the Tampa P.D. is anxious to talk to him. Recognizing his big opportunity, Normon refuses to cooperate unless he can at least be a cop for a day. The deal is made and after his interrogation, Normon is teamed up with Nick.

Nick's initial grumblings notwithstanding, the two manage to grow on one another, as the bad guys come after Normon to silence him. Nick becomes Normon's protector and surrogate father.

"Cop and a Half" does a creditable job of showing how Normon



Eight-year-old Devon Butler's (Norman D. Golden II) obsessive dream to be a cop becomes a nightmare for tough detective Nick McKenna (Burt Reynolds), in "Cop and a Half."

and Nick grow on one another. Reynolds is adept as the cranky cop with a heart of gold. Golden is a strong, disciplined young actor with an amazing sense of comic timing for his age.

"Cop and a Half" could be the start of a television series for

the gifted young comic performer. The action sequences in "Cop and a Half" are well-executed. The able supporting cast includes Ruby Dee and Ray Sharkey.

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St. Louis Celebs

Susie Wall

Actress



Harry Hamm

Wall, a 30-something actress who has performed on St. Louis stages for 14 years, founded The New Theater in St. Louis in 1985.

A native of Ann Arbor, Mich., Wall grew up in Connecticut. She has a master's degree in fine arts from the University of Michigan.

Wall also had a featured role in the CBS miniseries "Murder Ordained."

Wall's voice is familiar to most St. Louisans, as she is one of the most requested female vocal talents for local broadcast commercials. Wall has received an Emmy Award and a Marconi Award for her voice-over work.

Wall lives in St. Louis with her husband, Dave, and their 18-month-old daughter, Gracie. Wall's husband, a musician, is a member of the local band Fluid Drive.

Making it as an actress: "Is a combination of talent, training and breaks. It also helps if you're rich and from the East Coast."

My happiest time as an actress was: "Back in the early days of The Rep under David Frank, when I was doing two shows back-to-back and had another show lined up at the Theater Project Company. For an actress, happiness is having lots of work and knowing in advance where your next job will be. It would be great to be working all the time."

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1. Sixteen years hasn't been long enough for many people to forget that Pat Boone's daughter recorded what syrupy smash?

2. Mecca hit No. 1 on *Billboard's* Hot 100 singles chart in October 1977 with a discofied version of what movie theme?

3. Who hit No. 1 in the late summer of 1977 and stayed there a month with "I Just Want to Be Your Everything"?

4. What 1977 No. 1 has been composer/conductor Bill Conti's sole pop-chart entry?

5. In June 1977, who hit No. 1 with "Got To Give It Up (Pt. 1)"?

6. The Emotions, a black female disco trio, had a five-week run at No. 1 beginning in August 1977 with what club staple?

7. Who hit No. 1 in April 1977 with "Dancing Queen"?

8. What were the Eagles' two No. 1 hits in 1977?

9. "How Deep Is Your Love" No. 1 for three weeks to close out 1977, was the first of three consecutive chart-toppers for whom, from what flock?

10. What 1977 song was the only No. 1 pop hit for Fleetwood Mac? (Extra credit: What was their second-highest chart hit?)

ANSWERS: 1. "You Light Up My Life" by Debby Boone, No. 1 for 10 weeks, was 1977's longest run at the top. 2. "Star Wars" 3. Andy Gibb 4. "Gonna Fly Now," the theme from "Rocky" 5. Marvin Gaye 6. "Best of My Love" 7. Abba 8. "New Kid in Town," in February, "Hotel California," in May 9. The Bee Gees, "Saturday Night Fever" ("Stayin' Alive" and "Night Fever" followed in February and March, 1978) 10. "Dreams" (Extra credit: The very next single released from their mega-platinum album—"Rumours"—"Don't Stop," which did, anyway, at No. 3)

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